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The Movement of Cars on All the City Lines Effectually Stopped—Both Sides Firm—Complaints of Business Men—Futile Attempts to Run Cars—Strikers Overpower the Police—The Milwaukee Rioters—Labor News.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Many thousand Brooklynites, who are accustomed to use the horse cars of the Brooklyn City Railroad Company, are compelled to-day to walk. The company controls eleven lines of street cars, all of which are tied up to-day. The men claim that the company has failed to carry out the agreement made with the men last March in regard to the hours of work.

STRIKERS VIOLENT.

One of the causes of the trouble was the fact that the company would not recognize the Knights of Labor nor the Empire Protective Association in its negotiations with its men. About 8 o'clock a dozen cars were started under the protection of the police. In East New York one of the cars was attacked by five strikers, and the police promptly arrested them and thus prevented further trouble.

USING STAGES.

This morning several citizens went to the office of the Empire Protective Association and asked how long the strike would last. The gentlemen were told that the association did not know. President Lewis of the City Lines said that he was not going to give in and could not tell how long it would last. The citizens said to the association that they would hire fifty-three stages to run from the bridge and the ferries to their places of business. The association will aid them and give them men to drive the stages. The Brooklyn City Railroad Company claims that its business has been injured by the concessions of last spring. This is denied by the association, who assert that the company has paid an 11 per cent dividend as against 14 per cent last year. State Arbitrator Florence Donovan is in Brooklyn to-day, and had an ineffectual conference with President Lewis. Brooklyn merchants say they will lose thousands of dollars by the strike coming in holiday week. It was evident at about noon that there was likely to be serious trouble on the lines of the Brooklyn City Railroad and

THE POLICE WERE CALLED UPON

to protect a car which the company desired to start out from the depot at Greenwood, and Captain Roe and several officers went to the scene and mounting the platform, the car was started. It got only a block on its journey when a mob took the horses off the car and ran the car back into the depot. The police were unable to resist the men. A car at Halsey street and Tompkins avenue was overturned and the driver and conductor assaulted by the mob. The police attempted to interfere, but were overpowered and reserves were called upon to aid them. A car was hoisted from the track at Fulton and New York avenues, and the police called upon here also. The driver and conductor, who were "scabs," were assaulted. Obstructions have been placed upon the tracks, and it looks as if there would be even more serious trouble if the company persist in their attempt to run the cars.

The Milwaukee Rioters.

MILWAUKEE, December 23.—The trial of Andrew Boncel and John Gondek, for participating in the riots at Bay View last May, is now in progress at the Municipal Court, Judge Sloan presiding. Sheriff Paschen was on the stand this morning and related his experience at Bay View on the fatal day when the Kosciusko Guards fired into the mob, killing six people. The trial will last several days. Paul Grotkau, the Anarchist, who was sentenced to the House of Correction for thirty days for insulting Judge Sloan, was taken to that reformatory this morning.

A SAD SCANDAL.

The Case of Mrs. Charlotte Coulston Against Rev. Waldo Messaros.

PHILADELPHIA, December 23.—The trial of the Rev. Waldo Messaros of the Northwestern Independent Church, charged with assault and attempt to ravish Mrs. Charlotte Coulston on the 21st of June last, began here yesterday. The case was opened by the prosecuting witness, who testified that Dr. Messaros was calling upon her at the time and endeavoring to persuade her from withdrawing from his church. The lady said: "When he had finished talking about his sermon he arose as if to go, and I arose, thinking that he was going. He walked up and down the room, perhaps twice. As he came up the room the last time, the first thing I knew he had caught me tightly around the waist with one arm and I realized that he was in the act of disarranging my clothing. At the same time I saw that his clothing was seriously disarranged. I cried out: 'Charley! Charley! Charley!' meaning my husband. Mr. Messaros then grabbed me by the other arm and held me tightly, and did not relax his hold until he must have seen people entering the parlor."

The rest of the lady's testimony was relative to the arrival of the relief party consisting of her husband, Dr. Butcher, Mr. Turpin and her sister, who held the reverend gentleman until an officer was summoned and he was placed under arrest.

The cross-examination endeavored to establish the fact that the lady was in love with the minister and had said that she would "lose heaven for him."

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Senator Downing's Committee Satisfied With Its Inspection—Going Home.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., December 23.—Senator Downing and Representatives Alexander and Crawford, members of the Visiting Committee and their clerk, Wm. Schofield, are in the city. The committee has just closed a thorough and complete examination of all the eleemosynary institutions of the State. They express themselves pleased with the general management of these several institutions. They will leave for home to-night. Their report will be ready to be submitted early in the coming session of the Legislature.

The rumors of malfeasance in office alleged against State Auditor Walker form the all-absorbing topic of conversation in the city.

SENATOR EVARTS DINED.

The New York Statesman Entertained at the St. Louis Club.

The dinner given last evening to Senator Evarts at the St. Louis Club by Mr. James Richardson was a very happy occasion. The purpose of the entertainment was to give the Senator the opportunity of meeting some of the prominent gentlemen of the city without regard to their New England predilections. Covers were laid for thirty-one, the table, which was set in circular form, being elaborately decorated with flowers. The gentlemen present, besides the guest of the evening and the host, were Mr. M. Evarts, the Senator's son; Gen. Jno. B. Henderson, Mayor Francis, Gerard B. Allen, Henry Hitchcock, C. S. Greeley, Col. Jas. O. Broadhead, Rev. Dr. John Snyder, W. H. Bliss, J. B. Johnson, G. Parsons, J. D. Perry, W. F. Boyle, W. McMillan, M. J. Lippman, Col. D. P. Dyer, E. C. Simmons, G. W. Fishback, E. B. Adams, John A. Scudder, D. M. Houser, Gen. John W. Noble, B. W. Clark, J. C. Richardson, John A. Dillon, John T. Davis, George E. Leighton and Dan Catlin.

Senator Evarts made a happy post-prandial address, paying felicitous compliments to St. Louis and her citizens. Speeches were also made by Dr. Snyder and Mr. J. B. Johnson, the company not dispersing until nearly midnight.

RANDOLPH RETIRES.

THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER RESIGNS FROM THE CABINET.

The Tory Leader Surprises His Colleagues—Cause of the Resignation—The Queen Indignant—Hartington to Be at the Head of a Probable Coalition Government—United Ireland's Charges Against Dublin Castle Officials—Foreign News.

Special Cablegram to the Post-Dispatch.

LONDON, December 23.—Churchill's resignation will not be a surprise to the POST-DISPATCH, though to most people it is like a thunderbolt from a clear sky and entirely unexpected. Nobody here had the remotest idea that it was actually impending. Labouchere dined with Churchill last night, but had no suspicion of the latter's intention until a reporter called upon him early this morning with the news. Salisbury had sent word from Hatfield, that as there was nothing of importance on foot, he should not be in London again for several days. Hartington has been summoned from Italy by telegraph. I am assured this afternoon, by next to the highest military authority, that the army and navy estimates afford no justification whatever for Churchill's resignation, not being at all in excess of the ordinary demands. These are, therefore, merely the pretext which he, as Chancellor of the Exchequer, has adopted to cover a retreat on domestic and Irish questions in the face of the impossibility of presenting the economical budget which he had promised.

TO DESCRIBE THE EXCITEMENT

in political, and especially Tory circles would be impossible. The Queen herself is known to be extremely indignant, Churchill not having taken the usual course of informing her of his intention. The future is totally uncertain owing to the suddenness of the event. No Tory leader being in the Commons, the formation of a coalition government with Hartington as Prime Minister and Salisbury as Foreign Secretary is the most probable, naturally followed, as I have repeatedly forecast, by a coalition of Churchill and Chamberlain. Ultimately, however, the present split means a more rapid triumph of the Gladstonian party.

England.

LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL RESIGNS.

LONDON, December 23.—The London Times declared this morning that Lord Randolph Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, resigned from the British Cabinet because he could not concur in the estimates made out by the War Office and Admiralty.

CAUSED A SENSATION.

The resignation of Lord Randolph Churchill from the Cabinet has caused a sensation. The desire to increase the expenses of the Admiralty and War Offices, to which Lord Randolph was opposed, indicates, it is believed, that the Government are of the opinion that a European war is imminent and that extra naval and military preparations on the part of England are required to make her influence felt on the Continent.

HARTINGTON FOR PRIME MINISTER.

Joseph Chamberlain has deferred his contemplated visit to Scotland until after the holidays. No other member of the Cabinet is expected to resign. It is asserted that Lord Hartington will be asked to assume the office of Prime Minister. On the other hand, it is reported that he will be pressed to take Lord Randolph Churchill's place as leader of the Government party in the House of Commons. Lord Hartington is at present in Rome, and has arranged to remain there another week.

PRESS COMMENTS.

The St. James Gazette says that if financial reasons explain Lord Randolph Churchill's resignation from the Cabinet, there is nothing to be said except there is not much to be deplored; but if the local government bill was the cause, then the Government has grievously erred.

THE ECHO.

The Echo says it believes Lord Randolph Churchill's resignation was due to an essential divergence of opinion with the rest of the Cabinet. Unless Lord Randolph Churchill gives a better reason for his action than that of financial differences with his colleagues, he will be unable to repel hostile criticism of his course.

THE NEWS.

The Evening News says: "Patriots are pained and surprised." It asks Lord Randolph to justify his course, warning him that if he does not, his name will never be heard hereafter without exciting exasperation.

The Globe says: It would be difficult for the warmest admirers of Lord Randolph Churchill to vindicate his step.

THE PALL MALL GAZETTE.

The Pall Mall Gazette declares that it will be impossible for Lord Salisbury to govern unless Lord Hartington steps into the breach, which it says is impossible to conceive of on any hypothesis in which Lord Hartington could defend morally or politically a refusal to accept the post which Lord Randolph Churchill has vacated. The Queen has sent her private secretary, Gen. Sir Fredrick Ponsonby, to London to-day, with a message to Lord Salisbury.

SURPRISE AND REGRET.

The Conservative and Carlton Clubs received the announcement of Lord Randolph Churchill's resignation with surprise and regret.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM.

DUBLIN, December 23.—The resignation of Lord Randolph Churchill from the Cabinet was proclaimed through the streets of Dublin this morning by a bellman. The populace showed enthusiasm over the news.

Ireland.

SERIOUS CHARGES.

DUBLIN, December 23.—United Ireland says the only effect of the Government's proclaiming the "plan of campaign" is to increase the attraction of the scheme by the spice of contraband. The same paper says that four letters addressed to its editor and recently received had evidently been opened at the Post-office. United Ireland says that every official at Dublin Castle who copies or inspects any document, is obliged to make a return of the name of every person who has had access to said document.

FUNDS FOR EVICTED TENANTS.

SYDNEY, N.S.W., December 23.—At a meeting held here yesterday, $5,000 were subscribed for the benefit of evicted tenants in Ireland. The subscriptions included $500 from Cardinal Moran, Archbishop of Sydney, and $500 from Sir Alexander Stuart, Prime Minister of the colony.

CHARGES DISMISSED.

Messrs. Dillon, Sheehy and O'Brien reached Loughrea to-day and attended court. They formally justified their charge of assault and battery against Police Inspector Davis, who was responsible for their arrest last week. The court decided that the charges against the gentlemen for their conduct at Loughrea were insufficient to justify their prosecution, and they were therefor discharged. The presiding magistrate was John P. Nolan, Nationalist member of Parliament. In consequence of their absence the Dublin case against Mr. Dillon and Mr. O'Brien was postponed for a week.

Bulgaria.

THE CONSPIRACY TRIAL.

SOFIA, December 23.—In the trial of the cadets and officers of the Bulgarian army for conspiracy against the regency, now in progress, evidence has been adduced, showing that the defendants had been in communication with the Russian consul here.

FRANCE BLAMES ENGLAND.

PARIS, December 23.—The Journal des Debats renews its attack on England, which it accuses of being the only power whose conduct has aggravated the trouble which has culminated in the present crisis in Southeastern Europe and declares that she has sought to embroil Austria and Russia in a dispute.

Germany.

THE BISHOPRIC OF JERUSALEM.

BERLIN, December 23.—The Kreuz Zeitung says: England and Germany have dissolved the treaty relating to the Protestant bishopric of Jesusalem. Probably the scheme long ago proposed, to build a national church on the site for which donations have been collected throughout Germany, will now be completed.

IF you are going to Chicago, try the new buffet boudoir cars on the Wabash route, the latest, best and cosiest novelty.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

A Case Interesting to Stockholders Rendered by a Wisconsin Judge.

MILWAUKEE, December 23.—Judge Hamilton, in the Circuit Court yesterday, rendered a decision which is of much importance to stockholders and officers of corporations. The case in which the decision was rendered was that of Charles H. Potter & Co. of Cleveland against the Secretary of the Montreal River Iron Mining Company to compel him to enter upon the books of the company the transfer to them of stock purchased from one C. T. Bowen, and for which they paid about $20,000. The stock is now worth $30,000. Before his sale to the Cleveland firm Bowen gave a written option of sixty days upon the stock to one Barden. It was during this period that Bowen sold the stock to Potter & Co. There was nothing upon the company's books to show that Barden held the option, and Potter & Co. purchased without notice of it. The Secretary and J. A. Wood, who purchased from Barden, contested the right of Potter & Co., to have the transfer entered upon the books because of the previous option to Barden. The Court decided that as Potter & Co. were innocent purchasers without notice of Barden's option and had possession of the certificate of stock, the secretary of the company ought to have made the transfer at the firm's request. Judgment in favor of Potter & Co. was accordingly entered. The case is of importance to stockholders as it places bona fide purchasers who have possession of the certificates of stocks ahead of persons who may have previously purchased it without obtaining the certificate and having the transfer duly entered.

BRANDT gives away a beautiful holiday souvenir, the Cinderella glass slipper, with every purchase of Christmas slippers.

HE COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Although He Frequently Declared He Would Never Do So.

James Wakeman, an Englishman, who keeps a shoe store at No. 824 Franklin avenue, died at 11:45 last night from the effects of a dose of "Rough on Rats" taken earlier in the day. He was a man 43 years of age and resided over the store with his family. In the evening his family noticed that there was something wrong with him and they summoned Drs. Clopton and Williamson, but the physicians, although they did all in their power, were unable to save him, and shortly before midnight he breathed his last. He is said to have been a hard drinker and this is supposed to have had something to do with his death. On the 22d of August, 1885, Richard Cox, a cousin of Wakeman's, drowned himself by jumping off the bridge because of the death of his wife. At the time Wakeman expressed himself very freely about suicides, pronouncing a man who would take his own life a —— fool. "Why," said he, "if my whole family were to die in one night and I was to be old sold out by the Sheriff next morning, I would be too manly to even contemplate suicide."

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DUBUQUE & SIOUX CITY ROAD.

The Illinois Central Trying to Obtain Control—The Stock Advancing.

NEW YORK, December 23.—It is reported on the Stock Exchange that the Illinois Central Railroad is trying to obtain control of the Dubuque & Sioux City, which is now leased by it, and the lease expires October 1 next. The control of the company is held by a party represented by Morris K. Jessup. The stock sold at 85 this morning, and advanced to 96. The lowest offer made since is 120. E. H. Harriman & Co., who were identified with the Central Iowa interests, bid 110 for a block of the stock.

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J. W. Smith, while intoxicated and crossing Twelfth street at Pine yesterday, grabbed hold of the bridle of the horse driven by a boy named Charles Ernst and refused to let go of it. When the boy got off the vehicle to take the reins from him, Smith hit him two or three times and then ran away. Ernst followed him and at Ninth and Olive streets met a police officer and had Smith arrested. At the station Smith grabbed hold of the boy and gave him such a pull that he jerked all the buttons off his clothes. Judge Cady this morning fined Smith $5.

The Best Christmas Gift

for young or old, a ticket in the Public Library.

Indignant Democrats.

Prominent Democrats and members of the Hendricks Association met last night to take action on the course of District-Attorney Bliss in securing the indictment of a number of Democrats on charges of election frauds. Mr. Bliss was generally condemned as an extremely "offensive partisan," and the proffered services of Mr. Thos. Skinker in behalf of the Democrats arrested were accepted. A resolution was adopted requesting the Democratic City Central Committee to furnish Mr. Skinker with necessary information, and the meeting adjourned.

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The Train Wrecker's Trial.

WYANDOTTE, Kan., December 23.—The work of selecting a jury to try Hamilton for train-wrecking drags along in the District Court to-day. It is evident that the special venire of 100 names will not be sufficient. None of those examined have yet been finally accepted.

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Carondelet Jottings.

The Carondelet Relief Association will hold a special meeting Friday evening at the Insurance Building to make the necessary arrangements for the entertainment to be given for the benefit of the poor on Tuesday next.

The parishioners of St. Boniface Catholic Church will hold their annual Christmas festival next Sunday afternoon at St. Boniface Hall. The programme for the occasion will contain many pleasing features for the young and old.

The annual election of officers of Assembly No. 109, Catholic Knights of America, occurred last night, the following gentlemen being elected: Peter O'Brien, President; Daniel Glouck, Vice-President; Henry Houck, Secretary; Nick Houck, Corresponding Secretary; Michael Mennings, Sergeant-at-Arms; Rudolph Alberts, Sentinel; B. O'Reilly, Treasurer, and Nick Helfick, Trustee.

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The Legislative Delegation.

The local delegates to the State Legislature met at the Real Estate Exchange last night, with Hon. G. A. Castleman in the chair. Forty labor representatives presented a protest against the continuance of the convict labor system in the State Penitentiary. Rev. Father Wm. Walsh advocated the passage of a bill reimbursing property-owners for damage occasioned by the building of elevated railroads. Speeches were also made against child labor in factories.

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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND CRITICISED FOR RENOMINATING MATTHEWS.

The Administration Organ's Vigorous Protest—The Randall Caucus—Programme for Tariff Revision—Congressman King's Departure—The Interstate Commerce Bill—Reagan and Morrison Call Upon the President—Washington News.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—The nomination of Matthews as Recorder of Deeds of the District promises to become a celebrated case. It is a complete abrogation of the authority of the Senate over appointments, if the President carries out the policy indicated for him in yesterday's issue of the Administration organ. The Post says that the renomination of Matthews keeps him in office until the close of the session, and that if he should be rejected by the Senate, the President could again reappoint him after the adjournment. By this means the President could escape entirely the authority of the Senate over any appointment he might see fit to make. Such an act is regarded by many good lawyers as a most unconstitutional one. The Senate has already said that it wouldn't consent to Mr. Matthews' appointment. This being the case, it is believed that the President has passed the dangerous ground in asserting his right to renominate him.

The Evening Star, one of the most conservative papers in the District, in discussing the reason given by the President concerning this appointment, contradicts him in his statement of the alleged facts of the case. The Star says: "It is possible, though hardly probable, that the confirmation of Mr. Matthews as Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia, may be secured, as desired by the President, in his message sent to that body Tuesday; but it is not fair either to that body or to the people of the District, that this result should be accomplished through misrepresentation of the facts in the case. In transmitting the second time the name of his choice to the Senate, the President takes occasion to assert that the objection to Mr. Matthews' occupancy of the place is largely based on a prejudice conceived against that gentleman and that his management of the office since he has been in it has had the effect of removing much of the opposition to him which formerly existed. Now we have far better opportunities for knowing the sentiment and the temper of this community than any President ever had, and we undertake to say that no prejudice has existed, or now exists, against Mr. Matthews personally, nor has any serious doubt ever been entertained, so far as we can discover, as to his capacity to fill the office with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of the public. Neither, as the President would seem to want the public to infer, is the color of his nominee an objection, for as is well known more than one lucrative and responsible office in the District has been and is now acceptably filled by colored men. On the other hand, Mr. Matthews appears to have impressed favorably those whom he has met, and so far as we know his office has been creditably conducted during his incumbency. But this might well have been expected of any gentlemen the President was likely to name for the place. The opposition to Mr. Matthews rests upon much broader and more solid ground. It goes back to the principle of home-rule and to the President's disregard of his own party's indorsement of the principle as distinctly enunciated in the platform on which he was elected. Had the President been unable to find a white or black resident of the District who was at once worthy of official recognition and capable of properly filling the position in question, the importation of a protege from a distant point to fill a purely local office might have been excused. As it is, the action of the Executive is almost uniformly regarded—and most of all by members of his own party—as both a reflection upon the people of the District and a wholly uncalled for disregard of the popular will."

The Randall Caucus.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—It would seem that the action taken by the Randall caucus Tuesday night does not meet with the approval of a great portion of the Democrats. Quite a number will insist that the proposed bill to be drafted by Mr. Randall shall contain features dealing with the reduction of the tariff on several dutiable articles. Mr. Wilkins of Ohio who, voted against the consideration of the Morrison bill, will oppose any measure dealing with internal revenue that does not also provide for certain reductions on the tariff. Though representing the greatest wool district in the United States, he is in favor of placing the third-class, or carpet wool on the free list. He entertains similar views upon the subject of certain classes of lumber and salt together with a reduction on steel rails. Mr. Wilkins voices the sentiment of a large majority of the Democrats who would otherwise concur with Mr. Randall, on his reduction of Internal Revenue taxation. Another caucus will be held the first week in January when it will be positively determined what kind of a bill shall be submitted. Mr. Randall will be willing, if it is so desired by a majority of the party, to incorporate in the measure certain provisions for reduction of the tariff. There is a report in circulation that the caucus committee of Republican Senators, acting under the instruction of the caucus, will meet a similar committee representing the Republicans of the House, some time during the holiday recess to consider a course of procedure with regard to the tariff.

Mr. Higgins' Kick.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

WAHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—The Commerce Committee of the House is in receipt of a long communication from A. Foster Higgins, Secretary of the New York Chamber of Commerce, protesting against the action of the committee in expunging from the Miller bill the clause providing for the appointment of two civilians, one by the Chamber of Commerce and the other by the Governor of New Jersey, to act with the three others from the War and Navy Departments and from the Coast Survey. Mr. Higgins, likewise, tells the committee that a serious error has been made in reducing the appropriation in the bill from $30,000 to $20,000. Mr. Higgins takes the position that, as this commission is to pass on the question of the expenditure of about eleven millions for the improvement of the harbor, the committee have not exercised good judgment in reducing the amount, when the future of the harbor very largely depends on the investigations of the commission as to where and how the large appropriation shall best be expended. Mr. Higgins is also of the opinion that the bill, should it become a law, will fail in its purpose if the Chamber of Commerce is not given a voice in the matter, as that body is better prepared to know the wants and needs of the harbor than those who have been selected by the committee. Mr. Higgins does not question the ability of the representatives of the Government to carry out the proposed improvement, but he thinks that as the commercial bodies of the city are the most interested in having a good harbor they should have a representation on the commission. As the bill provided a compensation of but $10 a day for the civilians and they were to meet but one day in a month, Mr. Higgins argues that there could be no motive other than the improvement for the Chamber of Commerce asking for a representation on the Board.

The Interstate Commerce Bill.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—The interstate commerce bill is now in the shape of a conference report, and after the Senate has acted it will go to the House. A careful canvass of the Senate has been made on the bill, and it will pass that body by a very large majority, unless some powerful influence should change existing opinion there during the holiday recess. Out of the seventy-six Senators only thirteen are willing to commit themselves as opposed to the measure. Senator Camden of West Virginia, a strong railroad man, said that he believed the opponents of the bill could not rally more than fifteen or sixteen votes. Senator Williams of California, Senator Stanford's right-hand man, conceded the passage of the bill. There is great feeling throughout the West upon the subject, much more than in the East. Western men, who profess to be familiar with the public sentiment of that section, say that no Western member or Senator could ever hope to be elected to any office again if he should vote against the measure. A prominent Republican Senator said yesterday: "There are a great many things about this bill that I don't like, but the bill is a political necessity. We must pass something of this kind at this session. The Senate has been so long controlled by corporations that the railroad people when they first came here were very confident they could beat this measure, but now they find that the tide of public sentiment in favor of the proposition is so strong that it has even reached the Senate." It is believed that the bill will be passed by the Senate some time in January and agreed to by the House without much debate or delay.

Congressman J. Floyd King.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—Some of the Louisiana people think that Congressman J. Floyd King of that State, who failed to be re-elected, will not return to Washington to serve out the balance of his present term. A few days before Mr. Morrison called up his tariff bill he sent telegrams to Gen. King, urging the importance of his presence here to vote on the bill. No answer came, though a dispatch was received from a citizen of the place saying that Gen. King had left there several days before and his whereabouts was not known to his neighbors. Gen. Clark, Clerk of the House, said to a POST-DISPATCH reporter to-day that he had heard nothing from King since he left here at the close of the last session. He had heard it said that Gen. King had left his home and was not going to resume his seat in Congress, but had no personal knowledge on the subject. Sergeant-at-Arms Leedom said that he had received a number of letters from Mr. King asking that he arrange pairs for him during his absence, and at the time of the tariff-bill vote Gen. King wrote him from New Orleans. The Congressional Record shows that Gen. King has been paired but twice during this session, which would indicate that he was not very much concerned about his position on the various questions. Some of Gen. King's friends say he has long since contemplated moving to Mexico, and they attribute his absence to this.

Called on the President.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—Mr. Morrison was a caller at the White House this morning, the first time he has been there since the reassembling of Congress. Judge Reagan was also a caller on the President, the first time since the unfortunate bath on last Saturday. It is understood that the cause of Reagan's visit was for the purpose of explaining to Mr. Cleveland how he happened to conclude to bathe at so inopportune a moment. Mr. Cleveland said Mr. Reagan's excuse was all right, but he hoped it would not occur again, which the Texan promised it would not. Mr. Morrison's talk was long and loud about his defeat on the tariff bill.

Senator Logan's Illness.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—Senator Logan did not have a restful night, and at times he was slightly delirious. It is now three weeks since this attack of rheumatism first manifested itself. He has been but one or two days in the Senate chamber this session, and hardly expects to resume his seat until the latter part of January. He will go to Hot Springs in Arkansas as soon as he is able to travel without fear of getting cold.

Steamboat Inspector Appointed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—The Secretary of the Treasury has appointed James S. Walsh to be Assistant Inspector of Hulls at New York. Mr. Walsh is a prominent member of Tammany Hall.

HARNESS, saddles, whips, crops, blankets, robes, turf goods, etc. J. B. Sickles Saddlery Co., 1100 Washington avenue.

FATAL FLAMES.

A Cripple Perishes in a Burning Dwelling at Ft. Worth.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

FORT WORTH, Tex., December 23.—At 5:30 o'clock this morning flames were discovered bursting from W. K. Byron's grocery, No. 7 East Belknap street. In a few moments the entire structure, one-story high and of wood, was completely enveloped in flames. The alarm was sounded, but the fire gained so rapidly that by the time the department reached it the building and its contents were past saving. From this the fire communicated to the blacksmith shop on the west side and the two-story boarding-house of H. Perry on the east. The blacksmith shop was gutted, but the boarding-house suffered greater damage. The northeast corner of it was burned out upstairs and down, while the entire roof and west side were ruined. In the northeast corner room, upstairs, in the boarding-house, after the fire had been subdued a dead body was found on the floor, horribly burned. The body was taken out, and recognized as that of a cripple named Ashart, who came here last night for lodging. When Perry, the boarding-house-keeper, saw the flames bursting out he ran to Ashart's room, broke in the door and jerked him from his bed, telling him to escape. Then he left, thinking he would follow. This was the last seen of him until the body was discovered after the fire. Byron's stock was valued at $600, and insured for $300. Perry's loss, $150 on furniture; no insurance.

Brass Easels and Stands

from $5 upwards. Handsome and appropriate holiday present. See them at

BURRELL, COMSTOCK & CO.'S,
402 and 404 North Fourth street.

THE DATE CHOSEN.

January 28 Selected for the Next Sunday-School Concert.

The public demand for a repetition of the late Sunday school service during the holiday week which was mentioned in the POST-DISPATCH culminated yesterday in a request made of Director Lindsay by President Wolfe of the Superintendents' Association to hold the concert next week. Mr. Lindsay said that although he felt last week it would be better to have the concert during the holidays, he had found that the entertainments at the different schools would run into next week so much that there would be little time for rehearsals. At first he thought most of the "doings" would be over by the end of this week but he had learned that as many are set for next week as for this. Accordingly he replied, asking for a postponement. He was then given carte blanche to make the arrangements. He announces that he has selected Friday evening January 28, for the concert, and that the rehearsals will begin the first week in January on the same plan of divisions as was followed in the last rehearsals.

1,200 Solid Gold Lace Pins, $3.50 to $25.
A truly royal collection.
Buy early for Christmas.
MERMOD & JACCARD JEWELRY CO.
CORNER 4TH AND LOCUST.
Open till 9 o'clock at night.

CASUALTIES.

Four Men Injured by the Explosion of Molten Metal.

HOMESTEAD, Pa., December 23.—Six tons of molten steel exploded at Carnegie's Steel Works, this place, yesterday, seriously injuring four employes named John Kelly, Henry Hall, George Wilson and James Barrett. The ladle containing the molten metal was being swung from the smelting furnace to the ingot mold, when the crane broke and the ladle dropped. The metal poured into the pit below and the explosion followed, scattering hot fragments over the mill. All the workmen escaped but the four mentioned. They were unable to get out and were terribly burned, but are expected to recover.

IF YOU HAVE A RECENT cough you can break it up immediately with a few doses of Dr. J. H. McLean's Tar Wine Lung Balm. 25 cents a bottle.

Mattoon Matters.

Mattoon, Ill., December 23.—Two years ago, when Judge J. F. Hughes was elected, it was all the rage with business men to draw custom by having grand drawings once a year or more, and offering tempting prizes to those disposed to gamble in that way, but the judge has given this class of violations particular attention in Edgar, Coles, Douglas, Moultrie, Macon and Piatt Counties, and the result is that to-day all are advertising their goods in a legitimate manner and the spirit of gambling has received a severe check.

RED CROSS COUGH DROPS will cure your cold. Five cents per box. Sold everywhere.

PARISIAN CLOAK COMP'Y,

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We are Letting Down the Prices with a Willingness to Let Them Down Still More.

ALL OUR CLOAKS MUST GO!

Determined to Reduce our very large stock, we have made still further reductions, and feel confident that no one will dare to undersell us. Do not fail to give us a call and examine these goods. They are the BEST VALUES ever offered in St. Louis, and a chance that will not repeat itself again.

Our $35 Seal Plush Cloaks at	$25.00	Our 4-inch Nutria Beaver at	$ 1.00
Our $20 Fine Cloth Newmarkets at	15.00	Our $8 Street Jackets at	3.50
Our $15 Beaver Cloth Newmarkets at	10.00	Our $75 Brocaded Short Wraps at	35.00
Our $10 Elegant Cloth Newmarkets at	6.50	Our $40 Plush Short Wraps at	20.00
Our $10 Handsome Short Wraps at	5.00	Our $25 Imported Check Newmarkets	12.50
Our $20 Best Beaver and Matelasse Short Wraps at	12.50	Our $15 Natural Beaver Muffs	9.00
Our $4 Tailor-made Jerseys at	1.00	Our $25 Beaver Capes	15.00

We have ten GENUINE ALASKA SEAL SACQUES, sizes 32 to 40 Bust. They are equal to any SEALSKIN SACQUES usually sold by FIRST-CLASS FURRIERS at $250. We will sell them at the actual cost of the raw skins.

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CRIMINAL CHAT.

A HAY STEAL BY WHICH THE CITY WAS A BIG LOSER.

How Mr. Thomas Gugerty Unearthed a Big Leak—A Real Estate Wrangle Ended at Last—A Criminal Year—Gossip from the Four Courts.

A neat scheme whereby the city was being defrauded has just been unearthed. About ten days ago Mr. Thomas Gugerty, the builder, came to Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Dierkes and told him that he was satisfied that he had been defrauded out of several hundred pounds of hay by a man named William Patterson, from whom he had been buying his feed for a long time. He was satisfied the weight was wrong, but, as he had no positive evidence of the fact, Mr. Dierkes could do nothing for him. He advised him, however, to report the matter to Mayor Francis, for, if this business was being carried on, it would be well to investigate the City Weigher's connection with it. Mr. Gugerty called on the Mayor, and it was learned that Patterson had held the contract for a year past of supplying the Work-house with hay, and had just renewed his contract for another year. Officers Rilliet and Kelsey of Carondelet were detailed to investigate the matter. Yesterday they saw three loads of hay brought by Patterson and it was evident to them that there was nothing like the amount stated on the ticket. They noticed that one of the drivers' wagons appeared to be much heavier than the weight given on the ticket, which was 1,110 pounds. They made him have the empty wagon weighed at the Work-house and it was found to weigh just 1,600 pounds instead of 1,110 as the ticket stated, and the driver admitted that he used the wagon steadily and had hauled two loads to the Work-house with it that day. It was found that Patterson had one light wagon weighing 1,110 pounds and two heavy wagons, one weighing 1,600 and the other 1,460 pounds. He would have the empty light wagon weighed at a scale near his place and then change it for a heavy wagon which he would load and have weighed, the weight of the lighter vehicle appearing on the ticket, so that he got credit for several hundred pounds more hay than he really had in the load. As he delivers about ten tons of hay a month at the Work-house it can be seen what a bonanza he had, making nearly 500 pounds on every load. Yesterday on three loads he made 990 pounds, and this afternoon a warrant was issued for him charging him with defrauding the city out of that much.

A Real Estate Deal.

Yesterday afternoon the preliminary examination of Leslie Malone, John A. Wallace and C. T. Biser on a charge of defrauding Julius Rivers, a builder of No. 905 North Nineteenth street, out of $5,000 on an Arkansas land deal, was concluded in the Court of Criminal Correction, and Biser and Wallace were discharged and Malone held for the Grand-jury in the sum of $1,500. Malone sold Rivers a lot of worthless land in Arkansas, which he claims Wallace had previously promised to purchase from him at a much higher figure. Howard Wagner, who induced Rivers to enter into the deal, was a co-defendant in the case, but is not in the city and has never been arrested. Rivers had also preferred three separate charges against Malone and one against Wallace, but has dropped the prosecution in these charges and the cases were dismissed this morning.

A Slaughter-House Case.

In the Court of Criminal Correction this morning the cases of Leonard Doersom and Philip Kraft, two charges, fined in the Police Court for establishing a slaughter-house without the consent of a majority of the people living within 100 yards of the place, were dismissed on motion of Maj. McGinnis, who represented the defendants. Judge Noonan has already held the law to be unconstitutional, claiming that the Municipal Assembly has no authority to delegate such powers to the residents of a neighborhood. This decision was made in the case of Bernard Heuer and Maj. McGinnis claims the city has never appealed the case.

Judge Noonan's Day.

In the Court of Criminal Correction, to-day, George Hescher was held for the Grand-jury in $500 bond to answer to a charge of assaulting to kill John Albrecht.

The case of William A. Brawner, charged with violating the insurance law, was dismissed for want of prosecution.

Henry Kalthoff and Albert Krueger were sentenced to thirty days each in the Work-house for stealing $6 worth of rubbers from the Day Rubber Company.

Fred Douglas was sent to the Work-house for five days for stealing a sack of flour valued at $1.50 from Joseph Rettler.

A nolle prosequi was entered in the cases of Allen M. Walton and Edward M. Martin.

New Warrants.

James Clark is charged in a warrant with stealing a shirt from M. Meisner.

William Reeves charges Robert Brant with the larceny of $7.

Bob Wills is accused of stealing two pairs of pants from W. Wrieden.

George Sutton alleges that Andrew Wand stole an overcoat and pair of gloves from him.

Joe Roggenbroad, alias Rucky, of No. 1550 South Third street, is charged with seducing Emma Roth of 1506 South Third street, a girl 20 years of age.

A Criminal Year.

This year there were 458 cases disposed of in the Criminal Court. There were 2 prisoners hanged, 132 sent to the Penitentiary, 127 to the Jail and Work-house, 10 acquitted, 109 case nolle prosequied, 7 continued generally and 7 bills ignored by the Grand-jury.

AMONG THE BROKERS.

A Demoralized Market—Two New Properties—Mining Gossip.

On call to-day $160 was bid for Mechanics' Bank stock; $106 was bid for 50 Laclede Bank with offers at $110.

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Trading in mining stocks to-day was lively enough to suit the most fastidious, but the market was thoroughly demoralized, and everything but Granite Mountain was weak.

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Two hundred shares Peacock sold at $2.95. There was 85 cents bid for Yavapai, but no trades. Quincy was offered at 12 cents.

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The owners of the Larimore mine in Arizona have incorporated in Illinois as the Swisshelm Mining Co. The mine is in the Swisshelm Mountains. No development work will be attempted before spring. The stock will be held close.

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Probably the best privilege sold on the Exchange in mining stocks was bought of George Cousins this morning by Brentano. It was a "put" on 1,000 shares of Mexican Improvement at $1, good for one year. The amount paid for it was $25.

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Jumper was active to-day, selling at $1.25 and $1.30. Yesterday Curtis, the bucket-shop proprietor, sold his subscription of 2,000 shares at a good profit, Billingsley is understood to have sold less than one-half his subscription for enough to reimburse him for his total investment.

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On call to-day Granite Mountain started at $51 bid, and finally $53 was bid for twenty-five shares. Golsan offered 100 at $55 and Sid Francis twenty-five at $54, but there was no trading. On the street there was none offering.

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Ideal was sick on call. It started with offers at $1.05 and then at $1. 90 cents was bid and buyer and seller came together at 97½ cents at which Helm bought 100 of Brentano and 100 of Barnes. At the close 95 cents was bid with offers at $1. After the call there were sales at 92½ cents.

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The friends of Mexican Improvement attempted to rally that stock which seemed to feel the effects of the general depression. They started with bids at $1.60 and ran it up to $1.75, at which Cousins bought 100 from McNair and 100 from Rud. Kohn. Geo. Campbell then bid $1.77½ and got 400 from Kohn and 100 from Ewald. Ewald then started in to break the market, offering 1,000 shares at $1.75, and then at $1.72½. This seemed to anger Campbell who jumped up and shouted that he would sell Ewald 5,000 shares at $1.65. He was warned by the latter that he could not pick his purchaser. At this time Fraley came in with an offer at $1.65 at which the call closed.

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A syndicate was formed to-day for the purchase of the Newton and Ulster lodes on Iron Hill, near Leadville, Colo. Messrs. Johnson and Farish of Leadville who placed the big Louisiana property came here two weeks ago with the Newton and Ulster and offered a 60 per cent interest for $30,000 to be used in sinking a shaft. The Newton and Ulster claims are only one claim removed from the Louisville. The intervening claim has not been developed. All the other claims on the hill are paying, however. The syndicate includes Geo. Meyer, Al Bevis, J. A. St. John, W. C. Steigers, Dr. Kier, E. S. Chester and Mr. Grayson. Mr. Johnson will leave for Leadville Sunday night. Until the property is developed no stock company will be formed.

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Sheridan was the weakest stock on the list on to-day's call. Tom Wood started in to bear the stock by offering 1,000 shares at the opening at $2.75. It was offered at $2.72½, and then Gardner bought 100 of Ben Clark at $2.70. In the next breath it was offered at $1.72 and $2.67½. Brentano sold 100 to Matthews & Whittaker at $2.60. Then Fraley jumped in and sold 100 to Ryan at $2.57½, 100 to Matthews & Whittaker and 200 to Rickart at $2.50. Clark sold 100 to Matthews at $2.47½. Then Fraley came in again and sold Matthews 100 at $2.45, 100 at $2.35 and 200 at $2.30; Rasin, 100 at $1.30; Rickart, 100 at $2.25, and Goldman, 200 at $2.25. Clark sold 100 to Goldman at $2.24, Kauffman 100 to Gardner and Boyd 100 to Kauffman at $2.20, Lonergan 100 to C. H. Meyer at $2.17½, Brentano 100 to Cole and Cole 100 to Meyer at $2.12½. At the close $2.12½ was bid. Afterward on the floor $2.05 was freely bid for small lots. One thousand shares were offered at $2.10. Cleary & Kauffman got into a controversy just after 1 o'clock, Kauffman bantering Cleary to make a bid for 5,000 shares. He offered 5,000 at $2.25, when Cleary turned and offered it to him at $1.90, pulling out the next minute. There was a good deal of chaffing, but no trading.

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Superintendent Green of the Lochiel arrived in the city this morning and will be here for about two weeks. "I have thirty men at work on the mine;" he said, "working steadily. We had a few more than that last month, but we are running a steady force of thirty men now. Some of them are at work prospecting and opening the property up." Speaking of the Virginian mine, which may come to this market, Mr. Green said: "It is a fine property. The Templar, which adjoins it is also a good property. It will probably be stocked before long and brought to St. Louis. There will be 200,000 shares of stock, of which 20,000 or 25,000 will be brought here to be sold at not less than $2 share. Comstock may also be stocked. It is a magnificent mine. I was going through it and they showed me one point where the ore had been taken out of the roof of the chamber, a little round hole leading into the old prospect shaft. The last shot there brought them within a few inches of the ore. Another shot and they would have made the strike. But they got tired and sold out."

BRANDT gives away a beautiful holiday souvenir, the Cinderella glass slipper, with every purchase of Christmas slippers.

CHAPEL VS. CHAPEL.

Fight in the Typographical Ranks Over Union Officers.

To-day the St. Louis Typographical Union is electing officers for the ensuing year. There is something of a fight between two parties for supremacy. In previous years the Globe-Democrat compositors, who were the majority in the union, controlled the election of officers, but last year the Missouri Republican became a union office and this year the POST-DISPATCH joined. The Globe-Democrat printers have hoped, in spite of these accessions, to control the offices and keep them in their own chapel, but the Republican and POST-DISPATCH chapels have combined against them. George Clark leads the Globe-Democrat ticket, and Philip F. Coghlan the other. The following are the candidates for the various offices:

For President, George Clark and Philip F. Coghlan; Vice-President, W. W. Cato and Fred H. Smith; Financial and Corresponding Secretary, James Friel, Sr., and W. Burcher; Recording Secretary, Frank Hynes and Joseph Giles; Treasurer, S. D. McCallum; Chairman Finance Committse, John T. Bulcock; Chairman Investigating Committee, Wm. H. Jones and Pat Lane; Doorkeeper, Charles D. St. Vrain.

The vote cast early this afternoon was not large and the result will not be known until the boxes are opened this evening.

ABOUT TOWN.

FRANK CHAPMAN leaves this evening for Ft. Scott, Kan., where he will spend the Christmas holidays.

A BURIAL certificate was issued to-day for the interment of Thomas J. Boone, who died of cerebral hemorrhage, consequent on partial paralysis and a fall.

THE bakers and other employes of the Dozier-Weyl Cracker Company to-day presented to James J. Harman, the foreman, a handsome silver service at the factory, Sixth and Morgan streets.

THIS morning Mrs. Abernathy swore to information for a warrant against Maria Donlon, who was arrested at Barr's store yesterday on a charge of picking Mrs. Abernathy's pocket of a pocket-book containing $9.35.

WM. BLACKMAN, alias Treadway, was arrested this morning by Officer William King at the Lindell Hotel on suspicion of being a hotel thief. He answers the description of a murderer who is wanted in Crittenden County, Arkansas.

TO-NIGHT at 7 o'clock the Rev. C. Combs, pastor of the Congregational Church at Billings, Mo., and Mrs. Mathilda Grant will be married at the residence of the bride, 2602 Pine street. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. D. B. Wray of this city.

A call has been issued by a committee appointed by the journeymen carpenters' union for a meeting to be held at Central Turner Hall, December 30, at 10 o'clock a. m. The questions to be discussed are in reference to wages and hours of work next spring.

TO-MORROW night, Christmas services will be held at Webster Groves Presbyterian Sunday-School. After the order of service, which will be concluded with an anthem, a general reunion will take place. An interesting service has been arranged for the occasion.

The Circuit Judges also considered this afternoon the matter submitted at the general term in the Glaessner proceeding against the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Association relative to the switch from the brewery to the levee, the bone of contention being whether an appeal bond given by the association acts as a supersedeas.

CITY PERSONALS.

Bishop Fitzgerald of Little Rock, Ark., arrived in the city this morning and called upon Archbishop Kenrick.

H. C. Lewis, manager of the Southern, left last night with his wife to spend Christmas day with his parents in Augusta, Me.

Chester Thorne and wife of New York are at the Southern. Mr. Thorne was a nephew of the late H. M. Hoxie, and his wife was Mr. Hoxie's daughter. They were married in New York shortly before his death.

The Fire Underwriters.

At a meeting of the Board of Fire underwriters, held yesterday, the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, that on all participating policies issued on risks that now are or may become subject to rating under the rules of this board an additional charge of 20 per cent be made to the regular board rate."

The Bridal Bulletin.

Name and age.	Residence.
Elam Hale, 23	Kirkwood
Katie Doctor, 18	Kirkwood
James Spencer, 45	Alton, Ill
Hattie Carter, 23	1312 S. Second st
James J. Sawless, 23	924 Morgan st
Mary Grable, 20	2636 Bernard st
Saml Kaminski, 22	900 Biddle st
Jennie Lavinger, 20	900 Biddle st
Simon Scott, 35	St. Louis County
Lizzie Davis, 22	2224 Locust st
David C. Feiss, 26	916 Lynch st
Carrie Hertz, 24	916 Lynch st
John L. Studler, 35	1925 Franklin av
Magdalena Schumacker, 46	1919 Franklin av
David Will, 26	1310 Palm st
Annie Beste, 22	2614 N. Fifteenth st
Rev. Clement Combs, 64	Billings, Mo
Mathilda Grant, 40	2602 Pine st
Henry Mayer, 29	1514 S. Broadway
Christine William, 23	1514 S. Broadway
Richard Kaestner	515 Clark av
Marie Muller	612 Barry st
Wm. Dillman	1016 Sidney st
Karoline Klaiber	1016 Sidney st
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DEATH OF MRS. R. J. HILL.

Unexpected Demise of a Lady Well Known for Her Charitable Work.

This morning Dr. R. J. Hill received a telegram announcing the death of his wife at Wauwatosa, Wis., a suburb of Milwaukee. The information was wholly unexpected although Mrs. Hill has been an invalid for some months, the latest report concerning her previous to this startling news was to the effect that her improvement was very marked. Her ailment was a nervous affection following a heat stroke of August 11. She was the President of the Baptist Orphans' Home, and on the day mentioned was out in the heat —the thermometer registered 102 degs. that day—working for the Home. The stroke prostrated her and its effect continued for a long time. She was taken to Wauwatosa to a sanitarium and placed under the care of a specialist. It was expected she would soon recover and the news of her death will be received with surprise in the large circle of her friends. She was active in numerous charities, was a director of the Woman's Christian Home, a member of the Second Baptist Church and all the societies in that church. Mrs. Hill was born in New York, but lived in St. Louis twenty-five of the 42 years of her life. She was married here, and as far as she knew had no other relatives at the time of her death than her husband and child. Her maiden name was Sarah L. Kennedy. She will be buried probably on Tuesday from the Second Baptist Church. Speaking of his wife this morning Dr. Hill said: "There is one fact in this connection I cannot understand. Last night my little daughter, Alice, woke about 10 o'clock. She was crying and said: 'I was dreaming of mama and I dreamed she was dead.' We had had none but the most encouraging news of Mrs. Hill and I had entertained no fear that she would not ultimately recover. The physicians at the Sanitarium were especially interested in her case on my account and did all that could be done for her. I do not know at what time she died, but think from the telegram she passed away before midnight."

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COLD-BLOODED MURDER.

A Hard Character at Newtown, Conn., Kills His Mistress.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., December 23.—A cold-blooded murder was perpetrated last night near Newtown. William Warner, a young man well-known in this city, has of late been quite intimate with Mrs. Mary Lynch, a young married woman who formerly resided here with her husband. A few weeks ago Mrs. Lynch left her home and went to her mother's near Newtown. Last evening Warner called to see her and as near as can be learned, they quarrelled. During the quarrel Warner drew a pistol and shot Mrs. Lynch through the heart. The unfortunate woman fell face downwards to the floor, dead. Warner asked her mother if she thought Mary was dead, and at the same instant sent another bullet through her back between the shoulders. The murderer then left the house. Officers are scouring the country for him. A report has just reached here that the officers have him surrounded in a house and are waiting for reinforcements to insure his capture. Warner is a hard case and has been before mixed up in murderous broils.

WARNER SUICIDES.

William Warner, who shot and killed Mrs. Mary Lynch at Newtown last night, returned to the house about 8 o'clock this morning and shot himself. His body was lying across that of his victim. He left a note in which he gave the cause of the murder as jealousy.

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CONSTITUTIONAL.

Judge Peckham Sustains the Repeal of the Broadway Charter.

ALBANY, N. Y., December 23.—Judge Peckham of the Supreme Court this morning decided that the action of the Legislature last winter in repealing the charter of the Broadway Street Railway Company of New York is constitutional. Judge Peckham also holds that the mortgages are a lien on the property.

WANTED—Three first-class crayon artists. American Art Company, Eighth and Pine.

This evening representative delegations from the Labor Union and the Trades Assembly will meet at Barchi's Hall, No. 408 Washington avenue, for the purpose of effecting a consolidation of the two organizations.

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AN IMPORTANT PLAN

FOR SPRINKLING THE STREETS AT THE EXPENSE OF THE CITY.

Ghastly Christmas Gifts Made by Medical Students to Their Country Friends—Constitutional Amendments to Readjust the State Taxes for This City.

When the Municipal Assembly meets on the 4th prox. the street sprinkling problem, which is of interest to every citizen, both property-owners and tenants, will be taken up and probably solved. The present plan of private companies assessing residents monthly has nothing to recommend its continuation. If the sprinklers can squeeze out enough to give them the desired profit on the block the contract is undertaken and filled according to the sweet will of the manager of the company. As soon as the subscriptions fall under the limit fixed by the company they quit sprinkling. Should the collector have any particular trouble with the occupant of any one house the space adjoining is left without attention, to the great annoyance of other residents of the block. The trouble has heretofore always been caused by the lack of municipal funds, an obstacle that will be obviated this year. Councilman Devoy, Chairman of the Council Committee on Public Improvements, discussed the subject of the city doing the sprinkling with Comptroller Campbell to-day and inquired as to the practicability of carrying out the provisions of a bill looking to this end. Comptroller Campbell said that the expenses of running the city government slightly exceeded $3,000,000, which left a balance of about $600,000 in the municipal revenue for optional appropriation. As to what this amount should be devoted the Comptroller had no voice except to advise as to the financial offices of the city. He knew of no reason why he should oppose the passage of such a bill should the Joint Ways and Means Committee of the Municipal Assembly see fit to draft such an ordinance. When asked more particularly as to the feasibility of the plan, the Comptroller said that if the fiscal year was changed as he hoped it would be, by making a three months appropriation so as to make the year begin July 1, the finances of the city would be so arranged that the city could undertake the sprinkling of the streets without any additional tax.

Mr. Devoy proposes to submit such an ordinance authorizing the Board of Public Improvements to let contracts for sprinkling such streets as they may deem proper at the expense of the city. He stated that he had learned that in every place where the plan of the city doing the sprinkling had been adopted the great trouble encountered had been in starting the work. Without counting any cost for water the first expenditure would probably be $60,000. The present condition of the city finances it is conceded will justify this undertaking.

A Ghastly Christmas Gift.

To-day a number of young men entered the office of the Board of Health and on having the certificate clerk pointed out to them immediately went over to "Mortality Jacks" and bending close to his ear whispered their business. Mr. Jacks listened for some moments but was less interested and less cautious than the questioner. A one-end-telephone conversation was shared by the other clerks.

"Pack it in charcoal," said Mr. Jacks.

The young man bent closer to Mr. Jacks, who presently said:

"Oh, yes, it will keep the bones in place."

Showing increasing solicitude that the strangers should not hear the conversation, the young man leaned still nearer.

"Yes. Double freight," said Jacks. "They don't like to carry them. It makes ghastly freight, you know."

The young man took a hurried departure as he became aware that interest was rapidly centering in him. "Well," said Jacks returning to his work, "no accounting for tastes. That's the fourth or fifth young medical student who is carrying off skeletons for a Christmas present. We have them every Christmas applying for permits to take skeletons, legs, etc., out of the city."

A Constitutional Amendment.

Comptroller Campbell stated to-day that he had the plan of the two constitutional amendments in relation to St. Louis taxation made out and had only to reduce them to writing for presentation to the General Assembly. The local necessities require so much revenue annually and as there is only one assessment levied, the city is obliged to pay much more than its share to the State. This is true of all counties having debts, and virtually makes those localities least able to pay high taxes pay the highest, and those best able, pay the lowest assessments. There two modes of remedying the trouble. One is to permit the city to increase the rate and accordingly lower the valuations from $210,000,000 or to provide for two assessments, one for local revenue and the other for the State taxes. Throughout the State outside of this city the average taxable valuation is 60 per cent, while in many instances in St. Louis the needs of raising municipal revenue at the prescribed rates necessitates forcing this far higher. The remedy can only be effected by a constitutional amendment.

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FATALLY INJURED.

Henry Kolkman, a Bricklayer, Falls From a Fourth-Story Window.

Henry Kolkman, a bricklayer employed on the new building in course of erection on the west side of Third street, between Olive and Locust streets, fell from a fourth-story window about 11 o'clock to-day and was fatally injured. The man was standing in the window over-looking the alley on the south side of the structure fixing his line when he fell. None of his fellow workmen saw him fall, but it is supposed that in reaching out to fasten the line he leaned too heavily on a strip of wood nailed across the window-frame, and it broke, precipitating him to the ground. He fell in the alley on some scantling, striking his arms, shoulders and head. The other workmen heard the noise made by the fall, and running to the alley found the unfortunate man terribly injured lying on the scantling. He was taken up tenderly and was borne into the building. An ambulance was called and he was conveyed to the Dispensary. Before the ambulance arrived at the Dispensary, however, Kolkman died and his remains were taken to the Morgue.

The dead man lived at 2349 South Tenth street and leaves a wife and infant child. He was about 30 years of age.

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Discrimination.

COLUMBUS, O., December 23.—Proceedings in quo warranto were instituted in the Supreme Court to-day on behalf of parties in Marietta, Ohio, against the Cincinnati, Washington & Baltimore, and the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific Railways, and their connecting lines, alleging discrimination in the matter of shipment of refined oils in favor of the Standard Oil Company of Cleveland.

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Close of the Poultry Show.

The second annual exhibition of the Mississippi Valley Poultry Club closed last night. The attendance was not as good as had been anticipated and the club lost several hundred dollars on the show. Many of the exhibitors made contributions toward making up the shortage and all but about $300 was raised. In the evening the officers of the club held a meeting and decided to incorporate the club with a capital stock of $2,500, 250 shares at $10 each. Col. Fred Scheel of Belleville, F. G. Timberlake, V. G. Riches, G. A. Weidman and C. C. Cushing were appointed a committee to look after the subscription of stock and secure a charter.

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THE LAST BRIDGE.

Funeral of C. Shaler Smith To-Day—An Impressive Service.

The funeral of the late C. Shaler Smith took place this morning from the Episcopal Church of the Holy Communion, Leffingwell and Washington avenues. The remains were escorted from the residence, 918 Garrison avenue, to the church by the pall-bearers who consisted of the following gentlemen: Active—Edwards Whitaker, Frank D. Moore, George H. Loker, Jr., R. E. Williams, John N. Dyer, J. P. Card; honorary—Judge S. M. Breckenridge, Dr. Wm. Taussig, ex-Collector Isaac H. Sturgeon, Dr. J. M. Leete, Col. R. P. Tansey, Col. Henry Flad and Gaius Paddock.

Before the procession reached the church the Engineers' Club, augmented by a delegation from the American Society of Civil Engineers, left the United States Engineer's office at 2828 Washington avenue, and proceeded to the church, where they occupied the front seats on the west side. The engineers numbered between forty and fifty and were accompanied by Prof. W. B. Potter, the President; M. L. Holman, Vice-President, and the other officers of the Club. In attendance were Col. E. D. Meier, W. H. Bryen, C. W. Milcher, J. W. Meier, Sewer Commissioner McMath, Assistant Street Commissioner Rauschenbach, Water Commissioner Whitman, Prof. C. W. Woodward, Prof. Nipher, Judge Speck, Col. Moore, Prof. Johnson, Anthony Blaisdell, Col. Morley, Hubert Taussig.

The interior of the church looked very impressive, being in the full glory of its Christmas decoration. The floral tributes were not numerous but they were all beautiful works of art. Especially so was the floral bridge presented by the Engineers' Club in memory of the lifework of the deceased. It was placed against the right side of the altar rail. Across the water, represented by white hyacinths, extended the bridge, which was made of immortelles of various colors to show the cords and tie-rods of the truss. On the bridge ran a railway track, the ties being composed of yellow immortelles and the rails of white. The banks of the stream were represented by white and pale yellow rosebuds, while emphasizing the shore lines, water plants were arranged. The piers were white chrysanthemums faced off with ivy, and sprigs of lilies of the valley sprung from the abutments.

The procession, preceded by the rector, Rev. P. G. Robert, advanced down the center aisle, where the casket rested during the beautiful burial service of the Church. Several special selections of music were sung by the choir, after which the friends viewed the familiar face. Then the casket was closed and escorted to the doors of the church whence the cortege proceeded to Bellefontaine Cemetery.

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A FAMOUS QUINTETTE.

A Class at Yale Which Contained Five Distinguished Men.

Hon. Wm. M. Evarts is a graduate of Yale College, and in a chat with a St. Louisan, who is also a Yale graduate, he recalled a fact in connection with his class at Yale which is interesting.

The class contained a quintette of famous men. Mr. Evarts graduated in 1837 and was the valedictorian of his class which contained the late Samuel J. Tilden, Chief Justice Morrison R. Waite, Edwards Pierrepont and Prof. Benjamin Silliman. It would be difficult to find in one class five men who have gained greater distinction in law, politics and science. Mr. Tilden did not graduate, but left college on account of delicate physique at the close of his junior year. Chief Justice Waite stands at the head of the bar by reason of ability and position; Mr. Evarts is one of the most distinguished men in law and politics in the country; Mr. Tilden's greatness is a fact of history; Hon. J. Edwards Pierrepont was Minister to England, and Prof. Silliman is a distinguished scientist, and is now professor of chemistry at Yale.

There is one singular fact in the connection between these great men, and this is that all of them, although distinguished before and for other reasons, were brought into unusual prominence about the same time. Waite was appointed Chief Justice and Pierrepont was appointed Minister to England by President Grant. Mr. Tilden at this time was looming up as the only leader of Democracy, and soon after was candidate for the Presidency. Senator Evarts was in the zenith of his fame and was counsel for the Republican party in the electoral commission fight, and about this time Prof. Silliman came into prominence in financial and scientific circles through his report on the Emma Mine which caused such a furor and was afterwards vindicated by the success of the property.

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ZEPP'S APPOINTMENTS.

The Circuit Judges Wrestling With the Subject in Executive Conference.

The five Circuit Judges adjourned their respective divisions of the court after the lunch recess to-day until 4 o'clock and went into consultation with closed doors over the appointments submitted by Clerk-elect Zepp. It is understood that they decline to confirm two appointments in the Clerk's general office in respect of two clerks who have served under Clerk Vogel, and were appointed early in his term at the instance of the Ewing Administration. The new clerk proposes to effect several alterations in the arrangement of the general offices. He will use as a private office the consultation-room of the judges, and a new room for their accommodation will be constructed north of the new Law Library.

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Belleville.

The Crown mills will resume operations on January 1.

The Philharmonic Society will give its one hundred and first concert at the City Park Hall on December 29.

Marriages licenses were issued to-day to Edward Kiebel and Miss Sarah Ann Moore, and to Jacob Ferkel and Mary Reis.

The Pump and Steam Works have been closed down for repairs. The works will be opened up again on January 8.

Mr. Joseph Yoch and his family will leave for their new home at Santa Anna, Cal., next Monday. Mr. Yoch has purchased coal land there and will operate a mine.

Mr. August Chenot, as agent for the School Board, has purchased a lot on South Illinois street, from Mrs. Switzer for $8,750. A school house will be erected on the site.

Branch No. 125 of the Catholic Knights of America has elected the following officers for the coming year: Martin Herr, President; Michael Borg, Vice-president; J. B. Tenner, Recording Secretary; Henry Reis, Financial Secretary, and Frank J. Brueggeman, Treasurer.

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POLITICAL PRISONERS.

JUDGE TREAT READY TO ENTERTAIN APPLICATIONS FROM THE HENDRICKS ASSOCIATION.

James O'Brien and Wm. Wells Released On Their Own Recognizance—The District Court Will Adjourn To-Morrow—H. W. Williams for Recorder of Voters—Gov. Marmaduke On Blair's Chances—The Speakership Contest—Local Political Gossip.

Wm. Wells, an employe of the Cotton Compress Company, residing at 603 South Broadway, was brought into the United States District Court this morning by a Deputy Marshal, on an indictment charging him with fraudulent voting. When questioned by Judge Treat, Mr. Wells stated that he had not served in any capacity in the last election, neither had he registered or voted and he was at a loss to account for his indictment. District Attorney Bliss explained that Mr. Well's name had undoubtedly been forged on the registration lists and that some imposter had voted on it.

On Mr. Bliss' recommendation, Mr. Wells was bound over on his own recognizance in the sum of $500, to appear as a witness before the Grand-jury, January 25.

Jos. O'Brien, who was arrested yesterday afternoon and jailed in default of bond, came into court on crutches. He is a consumptive and Judge Treat out of consideration for his severe illness, and the danger which might result from further confinement, released him on his own recognizance. O'Brien was a clerk of election in the ninety-eighth precinct of the Twelfth Ward.

Judge Treat stated that he was ready to receive and entertain any applications, evidently expecting that the Hendricks' Association would apply for a reduction in the amount of bail fixed for the four judges of election now in jail but no applications were made and the court adjourned until to-morrow morning. Judge Treat stated that after to-morrow he would adjourn till after the holidays.

The New Recorder of Voters.

On January 1 Gov. Marmaduke will appoint a new Recorder of Voters for this city. Mr. Clarence Hoblitzelle, who now occupies the position, has been spending several days in Jefferson City and while there has called on the Governor. Mr. Hoblitzelle has filed no application for reappointment, his conversation with the chief executive having convinced him of the uselessness of such a proceeding. The Governor made up his mind on the appointment several weeks ago and it is generally understood that the lucky man is neither Henry Massengale, Chas. Gonter, Gen. Gooding, Matt Brennan, or as stated above, Hoblitzelle, Ex-Judge Chas. Speck, who, as previously stated in the POST-DISPATCH, had been practically offered the place, has informed friends of Gov. Marmaduke that he would not accept the appointment.

A few days ago Mr. John Lee called on the Governor, presumably upon business connected with the appointment. Mr. Lee's man is said to be Mr. H. W. Williams, the title investigator. After Mr. Williams, the two men who are believed to stand the best chance of appointment are Chas. Miller, formerly of Miller & Stevenson, and J. W. Allen, the notary public.

Whitelaw Leads.

The latest information on the Speakership contest is very favorable to Bob Whitelaw of Cape Girardeau, whose friends now claim a solid delegation from the Southeast. Alexander's forces in the Northwest are scattering for Donelan, who will about divide with Alexander the vote of that section of the State. The attempt to drag the Cockrell influence into the Speakership fight is deprecated by a number of Cockrell's most intimate political friends, who fear to jeopardize the interests of their own candidate by unnecessarily antagonizing a large and powerful faction of the party in the House. Marmaduke's friendship for Alexander will avail the latter little in the contest. Goodykoontz's votes will ultimately go to Whitelaw.

Blair for District-Attorney.

Information from Washington that Frank Blair is favorably considered by the President for District-Attorney Bliss' place is received as a matter of course by Gov. Marmaduke, who says that when he spoke to Mr. Cleveland about Blair, the President told him that he would look into Mr. Blair's application and consider it when the appointment was made. The Governor says that he believes that the President will bear Mr. Blair's application in mind, and he is hopeful of Blair's appointment.

The Office Seeks the Man.

The State officers and department clerks at Jefferson City are amusing themselves during the present dull season by nominating each other for office. Labor Commissioner Kochtitzky announces that Attorney-General B. G. Boone will make the race for the Democratic nomination for Governor; Tom Parks says that Treasurer Seibert is in the same boat, and Charles Pollack thinks that honest granger. John Walker, has aspirations in the same direction. Joe Johnson of Secretary McGrath's office is pushing W. P. Bentley for Chief Clerk of the House, and Maj. Vogdes is conspiring for Johnson's place as obituary clerk on McGrath's staff.

There appears to be a general misunderstanding among the impatient politicians and aspiring clerks of the capital that Judge Norton will not run for Governor and that Cockrell will be re-elected.

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SHE TOOK A KNIFE

And Went Out to Avenge an Insult to Her Brother.

Tuesday evening Richard White and Tom McHugh were looking at a game of pool at Schweickhardt's saloon, corner Second and Spruce streets. White told one of the players how to hit the balls, and McHugh walked up to him and floored him with a straight-from-the-shoulder blow in the mouth for interfering in the game. While down some one hit White on the head with a cue, inflicting an ugly wound. He went to his home, which is near by, and his sister, Mrs. Mary Kuhl, was enraged when she saw the manner in which he had been "done up." Taking a carving-knife, she went to the saloon to chop up McHugh. She was put out by the proprietor, and hit on the head with a soda-water bottle by some one. This morning Mrs. Kuhl, White and McHugh were all before Judge Cady on charges of disturbing the peace. White was discharged, McHugh was fined $25 and Mrs. Kuhl $10.

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A Clothes Stealer.

Several days ago a negro, John Willis, was arrested in the Third Police District. He had several fine coats, which the police thought had been stolen. After keeping him in the hold-over for twenty-four hours they discharged him. This morning he was taken in again and had in his possession a fine $18 overcoat, which was subsequently identified as having been stolen from the "Famous."

$1.00 WILL get the BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT, a ticket for the Public Library.

The Central Mission.

The Central Mission, Eleventh and Locust streets, will give a dinner on Christmas day at 1 p. m., for the Sunday-school only. After the dinner an entertainment will be given at 3:30, at which Mr. Charles Humphreys will sing. The sewing-school of the Mission will have a Christmas tree at 6:30 p. m., December 30. There are 260 children in the Sunday-school and 700 in the sewing-school. The Mission appeals to its friends to send in clothing, shoes, etc., which are very badly needed these wintry days.

To-Morrow at the Globe.

2,000 men's heavy winter suits have been reduced to $2.95. 3,000 men's heavy overcoats reduced to $1.65. 1,500 men's good suits and overcoats, well worth $7.50, have been reduced to $4.75 in the great reduction sale at the
GLOBE, 705 to 713 Franklin avenue.

THE TWINS.

A Hotel Waiter's Talk on Samuel J. Tilden and Wm. M. Evarts.

Senator Evarts and his son left this morning on the Vandalia for New York. "There goes Sam J. Tilden's twin brother," said an ex-New York waiter at the Southern this morning as the Senator left the breakfast-room. "They're as like as two peas. You never saw Tilden? Well, their pictures don't look much alike, but if you had ever seen them together you could not help but be struck by their wonderful likeness to each other. They say Evarts never liked to be told he looked like Tilden, and I know a waiter who lost his position because he called Tilden 'Mr. Evarts.' Both were well-known at the Windsor and Fifth Avenue, and both were fond of dining at hotels. There was a great deal of difference in their treatment of waiters. Tilden was always known as a very wealthy man, but he would sit for an hour in a dining-room waiting for service if the head waiter didn't see him, because none of the waiters liked him. The tipping system is as much in vogue in New York as in England or on the Continent, but Tilden never was known to give a tip anywhere. Of course when the head-waiter clapped his hands and pointed to Tilden there would be half a dozen waiters about him, and they would take his dyspeptic kicking as smoothly as if they expected a big tip. Evarts is another sort of man. I don't think he is wealthy, but of course he has always had a good deal of money, and he isn't afraid of spending it. I didn't get him while he was here but from the way his waiter was bowing and scraping I think he must have been touched pretty heavily. In New York he is regarded as one of the most liberal of the public men, though Conkling is by no means stingy."

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A THIRD DISTRICT WAIL.

Boys Forced to Work or to Go to the Work-House—No Loafing Nowadays.

The Police Department is a noble institution. It is deserving of much praise. But the following complaint which was this morning received by the POST-DISPATCH shows that the Third District members of the force have been using their power tyrannously. The wail is undoubtedly the production of a convention of the offended citizens and is printed in full:

OFFICIAL TYRANNY.

Dear editor I wish to inform you of the tyrany of the Police in the third district cary on against the boys of said district. We can not stand in front of our own doors nor meet and talk eny place with out being clubed or arested by the officers and sometimes both, and the majority of us being poor boys and have no money to defend our selfs. if we have the misfortune to be out of a job the officers meet us and arest us and put a charge of loafing against us. and a boys whos persants who is to poor to pay the fine goes to the workhouse. by this we are deprived of the wrights and libbertys for which our fathers fought. the chief Broot—I call him a broot because he is one—is Officer Mortuy Osullivan he walks the beet btwen cass Av ang wash from 12 to 17 this officers Cruelty and lawlessness has no bounds. this officer never fails to arrest one of us when he gets a chance, and by his smooth tongued bare faced lying manages to perger the captain against us. and as God is my witness that mans hart is black from swearing falsley against us by this he has green some of us a bad charichter. he even goes so far as to call us thieves and points us out to other Officers so that it is almost impossible for us to walk the street without geting arested. and we want to let you worthy Citizens no the hethen. Infadils you pay wages to protect your property with the hopes you will try to adjust our rights, we cannot bare the yoke of the tyrants no longer. and we wont. We remaine yours at will. Percuted Boys of 3d Dist. pleas Publish this letter.

Santa Claus at the Globe.

1,500 children's good suits and overcoats at 95 cents. 1,000 children's splendid suits and overcoats at $2.50 and $3.50 in the great reduction sale for five days longer at the
GLOBE, 705 to 713 Franklin avenue.

A WEALTHY PICK-POCKET

Who Leaves St. Louis to Go to Kansas City.

Detectives Lawler and Desmond arrested Ellen Fox on Tuesday in Barr's dry goods store while she was attempting to pick pockets. She is a veteran shoplifter and pick-pocket and had her picture in the rogue's gallery as far back as seventeen years ago. This morning she was fined $100 in the First District Police Court on a charge of vagrancy and given hours to leave the city. She has been up several times and has served sentences, but this is the first time she has ever been given hours. She is a property-owner here, having a house and lot near the Arsenal. Time to leave town proved very acceptable to her, however, as she dreads the Work-house, and says she intended leaving St. Louis anyhow, as she is too well known here. She thinks she will try Kansas City for awhile.

BUY Sensible Holiday Presents at J. B. Sickles Saddlery Co. 1100 Washington avenue.

North St. Louis.

A few cases of chicken pox are reported in this part of the city.

Andrew Wand was arrested this morning in the Third Police District charged with having stolen a coat from Geo. Sutton, 817 South Sixth street.

The German order of the Harugari will celebrate Christmas on Sunday night with a reunion and entertainment at the North St. Louis Turner Hall.

John Scott, colored, was arrested this morning on suspicion of having stolen a coat. Later officers of the Third District searched his room just in the rear of the station and found a suit of fine clothes, which they think Scott has stolen.

Higbee's Diamond and Novelty Palace
Has come to stay—406-408-410 Locust street.

"Post-Dispatch" Turkeys.

The annual distribution of turkeys to the employes of the POST-DISPATCH from the proprietor, Mr. Joseph Pulitzer, will take place to-morrow at the Provident Bank building, 513 Olive street, which is now the property of the Dispatch Publishing Company. The place has been fitted up, and 250 large fat turkeys will be distributed, every employe becoming the recipient of a typical expression of the employer's good will as in former years.

EXPRESSIONS of this sort are heard every day at McArthur's: "Oh, my! I had no idea such a large store as this was here."

Threats of Lynching.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., December 23.—Threats of lynching have been made against William Perry and Jas. Graham, outlaws, confined in Jail at Fayetteville. There are eight indictments against them for murder and arson. They have killed eight or ten men, including Deputy Sheriff Mounts and Marshal W. D. Patton.

STOP that cough. Red Cross Cough Drops, 5 cents per box. Your Druggists sells them.

Verdict Against the Road.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

PEORIA, Ill., December 23.—In the case of Thomas Londiergan against the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway, the jury this morning, awarded plaintiff $3,825 damages for the loss of an arm.

COUNTRY orders promptly and satisfactorily filled.
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TOTS AND TIDBITS.

Christmastide Exercises at the Shepard School Kindergarten.

There was a general jollification at the kindergarten attached to the Shepard School in South St. Louis this morning. The Shepard School decided early in the month to be in advance of the other kindergartens in the matter of a Christmas celebration and the tots were notified to prepare themselves for surprises to-day. The room in which the diminutive minds of the coming crop of low grade pupils are first drawn out was elaborately and tastily decorated with flags, banners, loud-colored draperies and streamers of ribbons. In an alcove of the room stood a majestic Christmas tree laden with the conventional candy box, perforated blotter and kerchief receptacle. The children accompanied by their parents, their big brothers and sisters, arrived at 9 o'clock, and were marched to their seats around the long tables in the middle of the room. They worried through the opening prayer and they stood the opening hymn with a forbearance that would have been a credit to older heads. They waited patiently for the "teachers' good morning," and they registered no objection to the "children's good morning." They listened to the "welcome to parents" and they gave voice to it, too, with a heroism that elicited the warmest approval from their trainers. But all these things were done in a purely perfunctory manner. Their mouths moved and their ears heard, but these organs were with their hearts and they were with the Christmas tree and the Santa Claus who stood outside waiting for his cue to come in and distribute the gifts. After the prayer, the hymn, the welcome and the good morning with the regular programme began with songs. The titles of the sons were suggestive of child life, and their interpretation carried the suggestion out. Thumbs and Fingers, Thumbkin, This is the Mother, In the Branches, Hush-a-by-baby, The Swallow, I've a Merry Little Neighbor, Carpenter, Nailor, Moon, Stream, Fishes, Baskets, Over the River, Jack Frost, Hark! the Bells, A Jolly Old Fellow and Cuckoo. These were the songs. Then the youngsters filed out, the tables were removed, the big Christmas tree taken from its alcove and placed in the middle of the room and Santa Claus was brought in. He was not the old wooden chestnut with white sand on his whiskers and cotton on his head, with a sphinx expression on his countenance, but a real, live, palpitating Santa Claus, with genuine goat's-hair beard and his pockets full of goodies. Every bit of offspring in the establishment was a beneficiary at his generous hands and he proved to be the star of the performance. Pecans, English walnuts, burned almonds and glucose candy were drugs on the market for an hour or more and over one hundred and twenty-five small-sized stomachs were glutted with these delicacies.

When the sweetmeats had been demolished 125 tiny hands clasped a like number of the same commodity and the Christmas games were played. The titles of the games were a trifle inclined toward the feathery kingdom, but as in the songs the suggestion of youthfulness was more prominent.

At noon the festivities were over and the children dismissed. The exercises were participated in by the morning and afternoon divisions of the kindergarten and were supervised by Misses Mollie E. Meisinger, Lillie P. Johnson, Ada McCann and Laura Meidell. Kindergarten exercises for Christmastide were also had at the Lyon School, on Pestalozzi and Eighth streets, but the majority will be held to-morrow, when all the kindergartens in the city will close for the holidays.

THE lack of privacy in the average sleeping-car is most distasteful, especially to ladies. In the new buffet boudoir cars, running between St. Louis and Chicago, on the Wabash, you can enjoy all the privacy of your own home.

MATTERS IN COURT.

Distribution of the Heil, Woodward and Anderlini Estates—Federal Notes.

The will of Eugenia C. Woodward was admitted to probate to-day. The sister-in-law, Emma W. Ladue, receives the interest of the testatrix in the Woodward Flour Company. The son-in-law, A. M. Mauntel, receives the real estate at Carrollton, Ill., in trust for the support of the children of testatrix. The balance of the estate is also left to Mr. Mauntel in trust for the children until the youngest comes of age, when it shall be divided equally. J. G. Lodge and Theophile Papin are appointed executors.

Letters of administration were granted to-day to Magdalena Anderlini on the estate of Loranzo Anderlini. The estate is valued at $4,500. The will provides that the widow shall enjoy the property, and at her death or second marriage it shall pass to the children.

Judge Brewer will probably sit with Judge Treat next Tuesday in the United States Circuit Court when the Wabash matters will be called up.

A petition was filed in the Wabash case to-day by Receivers Humphreys and Tutt for the payment of $8,130.01 out of the funds in the hands of the commissioner for the purchase of various strips of ground since the receivership.

Jacob Hassett had a hearing this afternoon before the United States Commissioner on a charge of selling tobacco without a license. He contends that he was simply asked to dispose of a few packages among his fellow workmen, and that no fraud was intended.

The following judgments were rendered in the Circuit Court to-day: Henry C. Myers vs. H. F. Harrington, judgment for $397.50; John T. Jones vs. T. N. James, judgment for plaintiff for $1,108.35; Western Steel Company vs. Daniel Paule and Patk. Cummings, judgment affirmed for $81.75.

The Circuit Court to-day granted leave to the Superintendent of the Insurance Department to sell property of the Life Association located in Livingston County, Alabama.

The law docket will be called to-morrow in Circuit Court No. 2, Judge Valliant's division.

The will of John Heil was admitted to probate to-day. The property is left to the widow.

How They Advertise.

Our best advertisement is in the quality of our work and the low prices at which we sell our goods. See for yourself. Redheffer & Koch, art dealers, 1000 Olive. Receiver's sale of etchings, engravings, etc., still continues.

Chambers Will Fight McAuliffe.

PHILADELPHIA, December 23.—Arthur Chambers, the well-known retired light-weight champion pugilist, has finally concluded to accept Jack McAuliffe's challenge to fight to a finish for $2,500 within ten weeks after signing articles, but stipulates that the fight must be witnessed by only ten men a side and must be with two-ounce gloves. Chambers yesterday forwarded $250 to the New York Clipper as a first deposit.

MONEY saved is money made; see us before you buy your Christmas presents.
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AT LAST.

The Chief Signal Office Accepts the Lease for the Forest Park Station.

The POST-DISPATCH mentioned some time ago that there was a good prospect of having a Signal Service Station at Forest Park. Some delay had been reported on account of the unwillingness of Schweickhardt to lease his cottage at the Park for a longer time than one year. Sergt. Weber informed the chief office that such was the case and that all negotiations would be deferred pending an answer. There seemed to be little hope of the Department accepting a one year's lease, but the agitation in this city against the bad exposure that now gives inaccurate readings has evidently been felt in Washington. Sergt. Weber has at last received a letter from the chief office stating that the one year's lease is satisfactory to the Department. Schweickhardt will at once perfect the lease, and it is likely that observations will begin to be taken in Forest Park by the 1st of February. The cost to arrange the apparatus and give the Park Station telegraphic and telephonic connection will amount to about $400. Fully five miles of wire will be used.

SEE stock and prices before you buy holiday presents.
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GOOD FOR SANTA CLAUS.

A Cold Wave Will Celebrate Christmas in St. Louis.

"We are going to have a cold wave," said Sergt. Weber, this afternoon, "a genuine Christmas wave, not very cold, you understand, but just enough to make it seem like a real Christmas." The wave will begin to make itself felt here to-night, the black flag flying already this afternoon in all its glory. The wave is due to a sudden fall in the temperature in the Northwest and a low barometer area in the Southwest which will draw the cold South. The official prediction is for a fall here of from 15 to 20 deg. This would make the cold at the outside not much below 18 or 20 degs., the temperature this morning being 37 deg. The coldest place in the country this morning was Moorhead, Minn., where it was 10 deg., below zero.

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Suffered Severely and Cured.

I suffered severely with pains in the back, says Mr. W. R. Russell, Washington, D. C., from which I was relieved by the use of St. Jacobs Oil. I keep it in the house.

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Portage, Wis.
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1886.

AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

OLYMPIC—W. J. Scanlan.
GRAND OPERA-HOUSE—"Clio."
POPE'S—"The Gypsy Baron."
PEOPLE'S—"Chanfrau."
STANDARD—Rentz-Santley Company.
PALACE MUSEUM—Daily from 1 p. m. to 10 p. m.

INVOKING the name of HENDRICKS in defense of election frauds is sarcasm of the most sarcastic kind.

BEFORE the Legislature swaps COCKRELL for somebody else the people of Missouri ought to know who the somebody else is.

AND now the State of Missouri, by its Attorney-General, defends the sanctity of the stuffed ballot-box and the inviolability of the bogus certificate.

THE worst thing about the report that the Pan-Electric Attorney-General will not allow District-Attorney BLISS to assist in trying the election cases is that it is probably true.

PERHAPS the friends of the condemned anarchists will charge Mr. POWDERLY with "capitalistic" tendencies since he forbade the collection of money by Knights of Labor for the seven murderers.

CHRISTMAS is a legal holiday, and notes and bills of exchange maturing Saturday, December 25, are payable Friday, the 24th; those maturing Sunday, the 26th, are payable Monday, the 27th.

SOME of the craziest bloody-shirt partisans are at last forced to the humiliating confession that the Southern States are growing and prospering without the help of Republican majorities. A thing like this is very gagging, but it helps the conscience.

THE Nation has made ample and bounteous provisions in the way of pensions for all who have earned them by patriotic service; and there should be no delay or hesitation about squelching the pension demagogues who are coming to the front again with a new programme for emptying the National Treasury.

IT is not to be presumed that the President will knowingly appoint a dishonest or unworthy District-Attorney; but he might make such an appointment without knowing it and upon the recommendation of unreliable advisers. That which has been done may be done again, and we hope that the President will be on his guard in time, with the St. Louis Custom-house in his mind's eye.

THE Hendricks Association met last night to consider the Grand-jury indictments. Col. ED BUTLER moved that the meeting be an executive one, and that reporters be excluded, but the motion did not prevail. Perhaps the Colonel in some way absorbed the idea that since the proceedings were indirectly connected with the subject of ballot-boxes they ought to be conducted in secrecy, and in whispered tones.

ALREADY the receipts from the sale of Firemen's Fund ball tickets exceed by more than $100 the total of last year's sales. This shows how the feeling in favor of the fund is growing. The ball itself will be, if possible, an improvement on that of last year, which was one of the best managed and most enjoyable social events of the year. The tickets are worth the price, regardless of the object to which the proceeds are contributions. A permanent Firemen's Relief and Pension Fund of $100,000, well-invested and well-managed, will be a noble monument of the liberality and public spirit of St. Louis, and we believe that the success of this year's ball will assure the raising of such a fund, if the promoters of the movement continue to urge it on as they have done. Not one of its well-wishers should miss this opportunity to contribute his mite.

DEMOCRATIC control of State and Municipal Governments and judicial machinery has not been distinguished by efforts to suppress frauds and outrages upon the ballot-box in St. Louis. On the contrary, quite the reverse. Indeed the idea abroad is that the ballot-boxes cannot be opened nor any successful prosecution be instituted against the perpetrators of the most open and apparent election crimes in our local courts. Yet the very partisans who admit this so frankly that they seem to make a boast of it are the first to raise the cry of persecution the moment Federal Court officials show a disposition to use their limited power for the punishment of these crimes. If the same influence which has paralyzed public justice in our local courts is to obtain possession of the Federal Courts also, we shall be in a pretty fix indeed.

AN ALARMING SPECTACLE.

Citizens who have any regard for public morals, for the security of popular self-government, or for any of the guarantees of good government, cannot observe without alarm the present situation of affairs in St. Louis, nor think without shame of the spectacle it presents to the outside world.

The frauds and crimes perpetrated in our elections with impunity are so notorious that nobody denies them. Even those who profit by them admit them with a frankness akin to boastfulness, and protect the perpetrators from prosecution with a defiant "What-are-you-going-to-do-about-it?" The united power of State and municipal officials is exerted to the utmost to nullify the laws with strained technicalities and to prevent any remedial action by the courts. It is proclaimed by the State Supreme Court that no St. Louis court has jurisdiction of election frauds in this city, or can open ballot-boxes known to conceal conclusive evidence of such frauds. When a court outside the city in the County of St. Louis asserts jurisdiction, and orders an inspection and recount of ballots, Recorder HOBLITZELLE is sustained by the Attorney-General in disobeying that order upon another strained technicality. And when the United States Court takes the matter up in connection with a Congressional election we are assured that the Democratic authorities at Washington will take summary vengeance on all the removable officials who had anything to do with permitting Democrats to be indicted for violating election laws or for conniving at election frauds. No law and order league takes a step or has a word to say against the crimes. Every would-be Democratic organ proclaims war against the prosecutors and claims to be backed in it by the whole influence and official power of the Democratic party. Even Democratic clubs named after HENDRICKS shame the honest record of that dead worthy by opening their batteries of abuse upon the only courts that are free to take any action at all against election frauds in St. Louis.

In the worst days of Republican orgies in Missouri no more ominous spectacle was presented than this, and we do not believe that the people will long stand such a shameful exhibition. Over 50,000 of the most staunch and steadfast Democrats in the world, with far less provocation than is now being offered to honest, self-respecting Democrats in St. Louis, voted for HENRY GEORGE against as good and popular a Democrat as ABRAM HEWITT at the last election. Whenever and wherever the Democratic party forgets the people to become the tool of rings and office-seekers, and shows itself the shameless protector of those who by fraud would disarm the people at the ballot-box, it will find honest and patriotic Democrats looking for some other flag to rally under.

THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE.

The proposition of English women to contribute sums of money for the celebration of the Queen's Jubilee seems curious, to American minds, at least; and, if studied from a certain point of view, is not without a touch of sarcasm.

The present reigning family in England has been loaded with wealth by the British tax-payers. The uncomplaining readiness with which the British Treasury has been opened for the periodic raids of predatory royalty must be ascribed to the English veneration for prescription and tradition, and the English habit of accepting what is old and customary as right and proper. Of all the English monarchs Queen VICTORIA has been most conspicuously favored in the bestowment of the nation's money. Not only has she been enriched beyond measure with the enormous sums given to her every year, but all her requests for money for her numerous and increasing family have been promptly honored. Whenever a penniless scion of Continental royalty is absorbed by marriage into the reigning family there is an immediate cry for more money to sustain the dignity of the new acquisition, and Parliament at once votes the amount demanded. In return for all this, the members of the royal family render no service. Even the Queen wields but a fictitious sceptre, and has no part in the government, further than to represent in her person an imperial tradition. It would seem that the Queen should bear the sole expense of her own Jubilee and return all contributions that may be received from private individuals.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the New York Sun complaining of Mr. RANDALL'S policy, and the editorial elicited in reply is misleading and incorrect in its material statements. "Our correspondent does "not seem to be aware," says the Sun, "that there are two divisions in the Dem-"ocratic party, one forming, we think, "the minority, that consists of free "traders, and the other—and this, we "think, is the majority—made up of "protectionists." This is palpably false. The two divisions of the Democratic party consist of tariff reformers who are opposed to an oppressive war tariff in times of peace, and the high-protective-tariff men who reflect the Pennsylvania idea of protection and insist on a prohibitory tariff. The tariff reformers constitute an overwhelming majority of the party; while the war-tariff men are in a minority that would be hopeless but for Republican support in Congress. The statement that the free-traders constitute a wing of the Democratic party is simply a fiction. The tariff question should be honestly discussed that it may be justly settled.

IN his contest for a third term in the Senate, Senator COCKRELL'S friends are not worth half as much to him as his enemies. His friends are of that lukewarm kind who are rather sorry to find that twelve years' service in the Senate has developed him into nothing more than a harmless, well-meaning mute, whose lines of effort are limited to voting with his party, "legging" for available office-seekers, distributing garden seeds and "pub. docs.," and helping VEST to rig and run "the machine" in peaceful partnership. An honest man of his stripe of prudence or timidity, though a dullard, is not to be despised in these times, and Missouri is not much given to the vanity of parading her intellectuality at Washington. Three or four bright men in a delegation of sixteen are enough to show that we do not utterly proscribe superior ability. And Senator COCKRELL'S friends would willingly swap him off for an abler man as trustworthy in other respects as he, if they were given a fair chance. But his enemies will not give them a chance, and compel them to stick to COCKRELL, whether or no. At every symptom that the Democrats are becoming very tired of carrying such a "bump on a log" as COCKRELL, straightway they are driven back to COCKRELL affrighted by some "anti-Cockrell movement" of O'DAY'S railroad attorneys, who are really only trying to scare some concession out of COCKRELL and to "soft-soap" some judicial granny at the same time.

LORD TENNYSON is a stout defender of royalty and titled orders; but his high born patrons may suspect that he is not duly mindful of a laureate's office and duties if he makes more slips like this from his latest effusion:

> Here and there a cotter's babe is royal born by right divine;
> Here and there my lord is lower than his oxen or his swine."

This has too much of an American flavoring for a thick-and-thin defender of noble birth.

REPORTS from Alabama announce the continued influx of Pennsylvania money and settlers into that State. The Republican majorities in the Southern States seem to decrease as the Northern settlers become more numerous. As it is not to be supposed that only Northern Democrats go South to live, it follows that a great many of them drop their Republican convictions and become Democrats after locating in the land of their adoption.

OPPONENTS of the ballet will defend the tall theater hat under certain circumstances.

SINCE the anarchists are not allowed to wear the mask of labor, they may have to pose as gentlemen of elegant leisure.

THE prolonged discussion of the dress of the ballet shows that a great many people are opposed to cutting the matter short.

IT is interesting to know what Senator JONES will do in Detroit after the fourth of next March, when his commissariat shall be cut off.

A TOWN in Maine has turned out 30,000 jumping-jacks this season, which is a sound argument in favor of the tariff on the alien and effete jumping-jacks of Europe.

THE bones of an animal twice as large as Jumbo have been discovered in Ohio. The elephants now raised in Ohio are smaller than the circus variety, but much harder to manage.

IF MR. BLAINE should make his proposed campaign through Ireland and then miss a renomination, it would be very unlucky; but he would be in good trim for running for Parliament as a Parnellite.

CONGRESSMAN EUSTACE GIBSON has quit sending the Congressional Record to country papers because the editors use the leaves of it as paper wrappers. Surely, Mr. GIBSON is not unreasonable enough to expect the editors to read the Record.

Pulitzer's Way.

New York Correspondence Philadelphia Times.

Mr. Pulitzer of the WORLD began by giving prizes for extra good work. As he grew more and more successful he began making presents to all the employes of the WORLD. One day he gave away 300 orders for hats. Last Christmas he gave a turkey to each of his 300 employes. Next he took his compositors on a picnic and raised their wages several cents a thousand ems. His last generous act was the purchase of 200 shares in the building and loan association started by the men on his paper. They cost 25 cents a week, or $2,500 a year. When he purchased them he at once divided them among five persons then seated around him. "He has so much money he does not know what to do with it. He is up to his neck in it," said a socialist writer the other day. "He asked me to write something for him. I wrote a column and a half and he sent me a check for $150." He has also given the members of the Press Club a thousand dollars or so "to enjoy themselves" and has endowed a bed for sick journalists in one of the hospitals with the salary of his place in Congress.

Plenty of Money; Plenty to Eat.

From the New York WORLD.

A contemporary records with due solemnity the remarkable fact that John B. Alley of Massachusetts, whose wealth is estimated at twenty millions, was found in a Philadelphia restaurant recently eating a bowl of bread and milk which cost 16 cents. No account is taken of the fact that possibly Mr. Alley didn't need anything but bread and milk. The idea seems to be that a millionaire should eat in proportion to his capital, and that a man worth twenty millions ought to eat twenty times as much as a man worth only one million. The gastronomic test of affluence, however, is a distressing failure.

Decreasing Wages Under Protection.

From the New York Leader (Labor).

In 1850 the wages paid to mechanics and operatives in manufacturing industries amounted to 23 per cent of the value of the finished product of those industries. Since then the share of labor in that product has steadily decreased. It was 20 per cent in 1860, 18 per cent in 1870, and 17 per cent in 1880. In that thirty years period of extraordinary mechanical development the production, per man employed, trebled in quantity and doubled in value. But the money wages of the worker increased only 40 per cent, one-half of which was taken back from him in increased rental by the landlord.

The President's Duty.

Henry Watterson in Louisville Courier-Journal.

It was his duty to execute the civil-service act as he found it, no more and no less. It was not his duty to seek to make it over an area never dreamed of by those who made it. In doing this latter he perpetrated an injustice to his party, which had been excluded from official recognition for a quarter of a century, and, at the same time, he proposed a complete revolution in the most important function of government. Surely, in so serious a matter, dissentient Democrats cannot be expected to acquiesce in silence.

Conkling as a Giver.

From the New York Sun.

Roscoe Conkling is daily beset by indigent lawyers, who look upon the ex-Senator as a sort of animated Sub-Treasury. He has given them yards of greenbacks, but yesterday he drew the line on a lawyer who had been a regular customer for six months or more. Turning to him Mr. Conkling said: "See here, I've given you enough to support a whole family for a year or two. Now you must stand aside and give somebody else a show."

Better than the Saviour Himself.

From the New York Tribune.

Rev. Mr. Hamilton of the Cornell Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church is reported to have said in the course of an address on the use of fermented wine in the communion service: "If Christ should come again upon the earth and drink and recommend fermented wine, as by some good people he is believed to have done, he could no longer retain membership in that branch of his church which I have the honor to represent."

Saving Common-Sense.

From the Seattle Daily Press.

It is safe to say that under any and all circumstances fully one-half, say at least eleven-twentieths of the voting men and women of the United States can be judicially assumed to possess common-sense. Hence there is no danger that any organization of hare-brained lunatics whatever, let them call themselves anarchists, Communists, Co-operationists, or what they will, can succeed in turning this country upside down.

MEN OF MARK.

MR. HILL, a Chicago speculator, sold 50,000,000 bushels of wheat on $5,000 capital.

SIG. MARCANTONIO CANINI of Venice can speak ninety-three languages fluently.

LAST Friday the poet Whittier was 79 years old, quick of step and straight as an arrow.

BUFFALO BILL'S Indians eat stewed dog. In their lexicon there is no such word as sausage.

MORE than 1,200 strikes were begun in New York State in 1886. In 1885, 300 was the number.

VERDI, who is now in his 73d year, is apparently as hale and robust in constitution as ever.

M. PASTEUR says that when he is not working he feels as though he were committing a theft.

A LONDON firm of photographers say they could have sold 10,000 pictures of Archer, the jockey, on the announcement of his death.

HENRY MARTEAU, a French boy 12 years of age, has burst forth in Germany as a musical prodigy. He plays the violin.

LAWRENCE BARRETT, the actor, is the only gentleman who has been out riding with the President since his recent rheumatic illness.

DR. H. M. SHAFFER of Wooster, O., is dying from blood poisoning caused by paring a corn with a knife he had used at the dissecting table.

SENATORS PAYNE and Ingalls are rivals for the belt belonging to the champion pedestrian of the Senate. Both walk much and rapidly every day.

MARK TWAIN has recently been elected reader to a Browning Club at Hartford, and he says he is practicing on some of the easy pieces of the obscure poet.

THE baby Battenberg is remarkable chiefly for his stunning redness and the fact that he is astonishingly wee. "He is a prodigy of royal smallness," says a correspondent.

COUNTY TREASURER HENRY WOOD of Carroll County, Arkansas, who was sentenced to five years' imprisonment for stealing $6,000 of the county funds, has applied for a new trial. His defense is that he kept the money in an old boot hidden in a hay loft, and that the boot was stolen while he was away from home.

WOMEN OF THE WORLD.

MLLE. MARIE VAN ZANDT says she will never sing again in Paris.

Two women are to be among the judges of a dog show in England.

THE Archduchess Maria Valerie of Austria has just completed a play.

GAIL HAMILTON says the ruling rates for servant girls' wages are unreasonably high.

THE Buffalo Courier suggests that free passes be given to every theater-going woman who will doff her hat.

MRS. STANLEY HUNTLEY, Assistant Auditor of Dakota, has resigned her present position to become the amanuensis of Adjutant General Tyner.

AN enterprising Londoner has opened an office and announces that he will organize balls and social entertainments for hostesses who dread the mental strain.

IT is said that the natives were shocked to see the Princess Louise dance a Highland schottische at a German watering place. They thought it was the naughty can-can.

A CHICAGO woman is attracting considerable attention by appearing on the streets leading a big cat, covered with a rose-plush blanket and wearing a collar on which are little silver bells.

MISS CHAMBERLAIN, the American beauty, is again in London, this time accompanied by a young and beautiful companion, who is expected soon to become almost as famous as she.

MISS KATE FIELD is enjoying herself in Washington society. She has $100,000 worth of telephone stock and can afford to attack the Mormon monster occasionally whether she hurts him or not.

THE statement that Miss Jennie Buckner, a young singer who has just made a successful operatic debut in New Orleans, is a daughter of the famous Confederate General, is denied by the General himself.

MME. RATTAZZI, a cousin of Louis Napoleon, widow of an Italian statesman, and married again at 58 to a young Spaniard, an authoress and still pretty, is one of the most desperate gamblers in all Europe.

IT is said that Mme. de Kolomine, the divorced wife of the Grand Duke of Hesse, is the author of the revelations in regard to the immoralities of the Russian court, published under the pseudonym of "Ary Ecilaw."

ACCORDING to the Woman's Journal, on one street in Bluehill, Me., less than half a mile long, live fifteen widows. There is only one house on the street in which there is not a widow, and that is occupied by two maiden ladies.

AN eccentric woman, recently deceased, left $150,000 by will to Miss Chrissie King of Ontario, Canada, provided she marry a young man named Gilbert Allen on the day of the funeral. The provisions of the will were promptly complied with.

THE METROPOLITAN PRESS.

What the Editors of the New York Journals Are Saying This Morning.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, December 23.—The WORLD says: "Straws show which way the wind blows. Two political straws, stirred to motion by a post-office breeze in Rhode Island, indicate that the trade wind from the White House has set in for a quiet but steady blow in the direction of a second term. The Chairman and Secretary of the Democratic State Central Committee, both aggressive partisans and spoilsmen, have been given two of the most desirable post-offices in the State, the former that at Newport, the latter that at Bristol. There is surely more of a flavor of politics than of civil-service reform in such appointments. Federal officeholders may be able to secure delegates, but can they so commend a party to the confidence and gratitude of the people as to insure its success in the elections? This is an interesting and it may become an important question."

THE SUN.

The Sun says: "If the labor party continues to rely on the use of the secret machinery of the Knights of Labor, it will meet with the fate of the Know Nothings and its downfall will come as speedily. It will not even last long enough to be sold out at the next election for President, and with it will go, in all likelihood, the whole organization which labor has built up at such infinite pains. The people of this republic will not tolerate political conspiracy and such is a political movement controlled or manipulated by a secret society."

THE TRIBUNE.

The Tribune says: "Congress ought to provide in some way for the destitute veterans now living in alms-houses and subsisting by the aid of charitable organizations. The managers of the Soldiers' Homes say that they can provide for no more unless additional homes are built. The Commissioner of Pensions, who made official inquiries on the subject, says that at least 9,000 veterans are in alms-houses or receiving relief from charitable societies. Their mean age is 57. This is not creditable to the Nation."

THE TIMES.

The Times says: "The case of Mr. Matthews, the colored lawyer whom Mr. Cleveland has again nominated to the Senate for the office of Recorder in Washington, is one on which leading Senators of both parties have taken a position that is absurd and disgraceful. Republicans have acknowledged that their opposition to him was due to their reluctance to see negroes receive office from a Democratic President. Democrats have confessed that their party is opposed to giving offices to 'niggers.' There has been a pretext that Mr. Matthews' previous residence in Albany, instead of in Washington, was the source of opposition to him but this is nonsense. The residence of any sane man in Washington is, prima facie, accidental or compulsory and can hardly be considered as an evidence of qualification, certainly not as a necessary condition, for appointment. The incident is a petty one and it is a curious illustration of the pettiness of the motives of Senators in dealing with nominations."

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.

Unfair Assessments.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Your remarks in regard to the assessment of the State of Missouri and the City of St. Louis ought to wake up our city officers. Is the problem of assessing all property in the State of Missouri so very difficult to solve or are the men who are benefited by the present assessment so powerful that all efforts to stop perjury, fraud and wholesale robbery, of which almost every page of the assessment books of every county tell a horrible tale, are in vain?

Only a few years ago, the Citizens' Committee, of which Councilman Cummings was Chairman, reported to the City Council that in the City of St. Louis the honest citizens were robbed every year of over $1,000,000 by an incompetent Board of Assessors.

The report was filed away in a pigeon-hole, and to-day the assessment is worse.

The Globe-Democrat published a short time ago the cash and the assessed value of the property owned by the five richest men in each county of the State of Missouri. The assessment was in a few counties up to the cash value, and went down to one-tenth of the actual or cash value! O. W. B.

Lowell's Lapsus.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

A few days ago I observed in one of our papers that the Honorable Secretary of the Interior, L. Q. C. Lamar, said that he considered Mr. James Russell Lowell the best writer of English in the United States.

I find in Mr. Lowell's letter addressed to the New England Society of this city and published in your edition of yesterday, the following sentence, "I cannot come, but I send you a sentiment." The foregoing appears to me to be incorrect in this, the word "go" should be used instead of the word "come."

Is my objection well taken, Mr. Editor?

"SOUTHERNER AND ANTI-BRITISHER."

For Diphtheria.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Allow me to suggest through your columns the necessity of boiling milk before giving it to children, for I have an opinion that the cause of diphtheria is mostly due to the use of raw milk from infected dairies. If the officers of the Board of Health will make inquiry, it will be found that where boiled milk is used there is no diphtheria. GWYNNE PRICE.

909 North Eleventh street, December 22, 1886.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

TWO GERMANS.—You should say "lying" not laying in that instance.

CONSTANT READER.—The next New Zealand mail will arrive in St. Louis January 1, 1887.

B.—The receiver of the Provident Savings Bank expects to pay a dividend of 25 per cent about February 1.

A READER.—Immigrant rates to California can be had on application at any of the West-bound railroad offices.

READER.—The regular matinee prices—50, 25 and 15 cents—will be charged for the Christmas Matinee at the People's Theater.

SUBSCRIBER.—The largest number of bales of cotton ever taken into New Orleans was 8,841 by the steamer Chas. P. Chouteau.

C. S. C.—About fifteen years ago, the Broadway line sold tickets for less than 5 cents but only in bunches of twenty-five which were sold for $1. The rate of five for 20 cents or six for 25 cents was never offered.

S. K. K.—Queen Victoria's coronation was celebrated June 28, 1838. Her birthday anniversary occurs May 24. This latter date will be observed by Englishmen next year as usual. No other special celebration is set for next year.

F. H. and J. C.—The specimens you send are not pumpkin seeds. They contain no germ, and are but the chaffy remains of what would have become seed if they had not perished or been blighted before maturing into seeds.

CITIZEN.—If the father of the child was not naturalized during the son's minority, the son is not a citizen of the United States, and must take out his naturalization papers. The act of naturalizing the father naturalizes also all his minor children.

BACHELORS.—The Duke of Argyll in his letter to Mrs. Blood wrote: "But it was impossible for me to approve that engagement, made on some three days' acquaintance, with no previous knowledge whatever of each other's character and disposition."

SUBSCRIBER.—"Shane-na-Lawn" means John of the lawn or lane, the word from which lawn is derived meaning originally an open space or clearing of any kind. It is used in Scanlan's play to designate a foundling who has been picked up in the grounds of a mansion.

Isn't the Programme a Good One?

From the Dubuque Herald.

Joseph Pulitzer, New York WORLD, wants Cleveland to smash the rings more, help the working people more, try to influence legislation more and admire the mugwumps less.

Fortunately, Very Often.

From Tid-Bits.

Printers are as a rule long-lived. We have known some of them to live long enough to set up manuscript as it was written, but they were very few, and oh! so far between.

STAGE CHAT.

Given a brogue, a fair physique, several tuneful songs and an Irish play and the result is large profit. Joe Murphy is nearly a millionaire made out of "Kerry Gow," and W. J. Scanlan is following in his footsteps. "Shane-na-Lawn" is making money for him rapidly and is putting him in the way of making more. There are few young actors who are more in earnest and who give more study and serious attention to their work than Scanlan. He has an honest, serious face, a good person, deep, musical voice, and an intelligent idea of what is effective. He has a row of teeth which makes his smile worth a quarter at least. He is an entertaining conversationalist and a capital raconteur.

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If the song writers of this country knew how much a touching ballad or descriptive song combined with a catchy, tuneful air is worth, they would quit trying to compose operas, instrumental pieces and classical songs, and would devote their energies to ballads. What would Joe Emmet be without his songs? They have been swinging through everyone's head, hummed, whistled and sung on the street, at home—everywhere. They have almost made Emmet what he is. People go to catch his magnetic smiles and hear his songs. Joe Murphy cannot sing much now, but his songs always bring down the house. I could name hosts of instances where a song has been the making of a play or has wafted a player into popularity. Scanlan's Peek-a-Boo has made his name a household word from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Its value, in actual cash, as a drawing card and as an advertisement is simply inestimable. It gave him his first big start in favor. People went to hear it and learned to like the comedian from the impression they carried away with them.

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"Peek-a-Boo" was a sudden inspiration. Scanlan thought of it while trying to keep cool in dishabille on an easy chair one hot summer day. The outline of the song was created at once and for a wonder he recognized the value of it. He had two friends, young men who had just left the employ of a large metropolitan publishing house and were starting in business for themselves. They had a mean little shop which did not pay expenses. Scanlan met one of them and said: "I have a song which you can have and when I sing it your fortune will be made." He was half serious and half joking, but it turned out to be a prophesy. "Peek-a-Boo" was sung, published and sold like hot cakes. It first brought the firm of publishers into public notice and netted large profits for it and for the comedian. Scanlan was talking about the song yesterday. "I received six cents for every copy sold and have realized over $30,000 from the sale of it alone. Just before I left New York a boy came to see me and asked me if I would let him go along with the company and sell my songs. He was a bright fellow and said he would have my photograph put on each copy of the songs and would sell it for 10 cents. He offered to give me half of his earnings. I said all right, and he turns in to me from $40 to $75 a week. He keeps a like sum himself."

This is not all the profit that accrues to Scanlan, by any means. Every song sold is a standing advertisement in the home of the purchaser, which is all the better and more valuable because it has been paid for. If the songs were given away they would probably be thrown into the grate, but, as they are sold, they are kept.

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Mr. Scanlan has written a comic opera which he thinks would be a go if produced. The scene is laid at West Point, and the cadets and a lot of Vassar girls furnish youthful interest enough for two or three operas. The idea is a bright one and the treatment of it is said to be very clever. There is a possibility that it may be seen before long.

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Miss Kate Bensberg, the young St. Louis singer, who is now at home for the holidays has made rather a bold venture for her second season in this country and yet her idea is a bright one. She has a quartette of capable singers in addition to herself and gives opera without the accessories of chorus and traveling orchestra. Full opera companies cannot afford to stop at medium sized towns so the people in these places must do without this luxury. Miss Bensberg's company just fills the want. She has been presenting this season Balfe's "Sleeping Queen" and scenes from several of the grand operas such as "Faust" and "Martha." Her reception has been so cordial that she has return dates at all of the places she has sung with guarantees at many of them.

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Miss Bensberg is a charming woman in private life—simple, genuine and vivacious—a jolly and refined girl in love with her art and modestly ambitious to excel. She has large, fine, dark eyes, olive tinted complexion and black hair. Her face has the beauty rather of intelligence, mobility and expressiveness than of regularity of features and she is at her best in conversation. In a chat about her plans she said: "I did not expect to make money this season, only to make myself known, but I have succeeded beyond my expectations. I have sung through Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin and other States, and have received gratifying receptions everywhere. I have been surprised to find my voice improving under steady work of frequently as many as five nights in the week. I have gained at least three notes, and can sing what I did not dream of singing before."

Miss Bensberg's season will reopen at Springfield, Ill., January 10. She is thinking of preparing Masse's "Galatea" to add to her repertoire, and it is possible that she may sing here about the middle of January.

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She was with the American Opera Company last season, it will be remembered, and was the prima donna of the company formed for the Southern tour. The organization was too large for the route to be financially successful. She gives some curious incidents of Mr. Locke's business methods, which, she says, have shown a vast amount of inexperience. Last year he promised to furnish everything, even to wigs and shoes, to the artists which is unprecedentedly generous, but at the end of the season the bills were sent in to each one and were paid, while the shoemaker of the company, whom she employed afterwards, said he had not been able to collect a large part of his bill. She says that the harmony of the company was marred to some extent by the favoritism of those connected with it. She was charmed with Mr. Thomas as a man and a director, and thinks Mr. Hock, while he is brusque in manner, one of the kindest-hearted stage managers in the country.

LABOR LOST.

Daring Attempt to Rob the County Treasury at Medina, O.

MEDINA, O., December 23.—This morning, about 1 o'clock, five men overpowered Marshal Frazier, bound and gagged him and taking him with them they proceeded to the Court-house. They broke a window in the office of the county treasury, and entering, placed the helpless marshal in a corner and flung a heavy overcoat over him. They then attempted to blow open the safe, containing $30,000. Three attempts were made in succession, and after three hours of fruitless work they noticed lights beginning to appear in the windows of houses near by. One of the burglars remarked to his companions that they must be getting out of there as the people were getting up. Hastily leaving the building with their trouble only for their pains, they helped themselves to two horses and vehicles belonging to Dr. Hand and Mr. Gail Hamilton. They then drove rapidly westward past the depot. Marshal Frazier succeeded in arousing Sheriff Dealing and a vigorous search was at once instituted, but so far without result.

East St. Louis.

The Teachers' Institute will meet to-morrow morning at Knoebel's Hall. The programme will be as follows: Opening song, Miss M. A. Kircher; discussion, "What Would Add to Teachers' Improvement," Misses Tracy, Collins and Dwyer; song, Miss Nellie Hixon; essay, A. O'Leary; exhibition in elocution of the High School pupils, under direction of Prof. M. A. Sullivan; instrumental duet, Messrs. Zittel and Guithues.

Word was received here last night of the death at Denver, Colo., of ex-City Treasurer John M. Sullivan. Mr. Sullivan had been in a very precarious condition from consumption for some time and a hemorrhage yesterday resulted in his death. He and his family left here only a couple of weeks ago for Denver in the hope that he might partially at least regain his health under the influence of the climate. His body will be brought back here for interment.

The overcrowded condition of the public schools demands that the Board of School Trustees take some action to secure better accommodations. In the Franklin School there are 307 pupils, while the seating capacity is only 232; in the Broadway 268 pupils with a seating capacity of 232; in the Eighth street, 210 pupils, with a seating capacity of 160. In these schools there is only one teacher for about fifty or sixty children, and on this account their advancement in learning is necessarily slow.

The Methodist Sunday-school will give a Christmas entertainment this evening. The parents of the children who attend the school are cordially invited to be present.

The Board of Election Commissioners will meet this evening to appoint a clerk. There is hardly a doubt but that Mr. Martin Baker will be appointed.

BLANCHARD'S ANSWER.

He Thinks the Recent Advance in East-Bound Rates Justifiable.

The following answer to the recent protests against the advance in East-bound rates was received from G. R. Blanchard, Commissioner of the Central Traffic Association, to-day:

S. W. Cobb, Esq., President Merchants' Exchange, St. Louis; David R. Francis, Esq., Chairman Transportation Committee Merchants' Exchange; E. O. Stanard, Esq., St. Louis; A. H. Smith, Esq., St. Louis:

GENTLEMEN—During the sessions of the Central Traffic Association I received and submitted to its managers your several telegrams of dissent from the advanced through rates, to take effect to-day. I note with care and attention all you say upon the subject. The answer has been delayed beyond my wishes because of the great labor devolving upon the office after our meeting in carrying out its instructions. It is proper that I should explain to you that the Central Traffic Association covers only the territory of the trunk lines, all questions of rates such as you present involving the trunk line territory as well as our own and are subject to decision by a joint committee comprising all the roads in the West and East. The vote of those gentlemen to advance the rate to the basis taking effect to-day was unanimous with, I think, two exceptions, which relate mainly to the cotton district.

Even at the advanced schedule, the grain and flour rate from East St. Louis to New York will be but $7 per ton, including a cost of 60 cents per ton at New York for harbor lighterage, leaving the net rate $6.40 for an average of 1,150 miles, or less than 5¾ mills per ton per mile as our all-rail midwinter rate. Judged by this result, there is no rail transportation in the world that is equally low, and when it is compared with the rates per ton per mile charged west of St. Louis to or from your mills and manufactories its reasonableness is marked. The lowest cost of freight movement shown by any railroad out of St. Louis last year was 49-100ths of 1 cent per ton per mile, which did not include interest on bonds or dividends on shares. This leaves that company less than 1 mill per ton per mile profit at the present advanced tariff rates and would seem to indicate that all the traffic which the same company carried at the summer rate was carried without profit. The annual movement cost via all the other lines from St. Louis is reported to equal or exceed the winter rate proposed to be now charged.

It is the desire of this Association, as I believe it to be of the Joint Committee, to ask only reasonable rates, and it is proper and fair to discuss what reasonable rates are with any association of gentlemen, particularly those as important as your own. It is that in view that I submit the above statement. As I have before stated, the Joint Committee decided all such questions as those you present and I have accordingly transmitted copies of your telegrams and of this reply to its chairman at New York for consideration.

Touching the recent memorial of your milling interests and the correspondence which ensued relating thereto, the association appointed a subcommittee of seven for its consideration, with Mr. Duncan of St. Louis as the chairman. Will those of your members interested in that question kindly confer with Mr. Duncan on the subject? Yours very truly,

G. R. BLANCHARD, Commissioner.

Chicago, December 20, 1886.

TO SAVE HER HONOR.

Lady Colin Campbell's Appeals to Gen. Butler to Defend Her.

LONDON, December 23.—The following correspondence has been given out, and shows the attempts Lady Colin Campbell made to induce Gen. Butler to testify in her behalf. Gen. Butler had declared to his lawyer that he would not reply to a general charge of adultery, but would appear on the stand if any specific acts were alleged. When the specific accusation was made Gen. Butler announced he had changed his mind. Lady Colin then wrote him as follows:

LADY COLIN'S APPEAL.

DEAR GEN. BUTLER—You will remember that when Mr. Lewis, in my presence, at his office, proposed for your own convenience that you should be examined in regard to the case now pending you said it would be unnecessary, as you intended to return to England and appear in person at the trial. This was so obviously desirable in the interests of your own character that nothing further could then have been urged upon you, and it is therefore with profound amazement that I now learn you have changed this intention. You must know that your failure to appear at the trial will inflict a monstrous injustice upon me and put me to cruel and unnecessary trouble in the vindication of my character from unfounded inferences drawn by my enemies and yours from the single fact of your having called upon me in Lord Colin's house. These inferences can be instantly dissipated by a single straightforward and manly denial on your part, and this denial I have the right to expect from you, as a friend, a gentleman and a soldier. Hoping soon to learn that you have resumed your original intention to appear in person, I remain, yours truly.

A COLD REPLY.

Gen. Butler's reply was as follows:

DEAR LADY COLIN CAMPBELL—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 15th November, and in reply I can only repeat that my resolution of not appearing in evidence at the forthcoming trial remains unchanged.

Dinan, France, November 23, 1886.

FOR LIFE AND HONOR.

Then Lady Colin besought his wife as follows:

MY DEAR LADY BUTLER—I do not know if you are aware of all the efforts I have made to induce your husband to return to his original intention of appearing in person at the trial, but as those efforts and all the many others I have caused to be made on all sides have failed utterly in producing any effect, I write now to you, to make a last appeal to your womanhood, to try and persuade your husband to repeat the denial which he has already made in his statement and in his letter to Mr. Lewis of a year ago. It is simply my life, as well as my honor, that are at stake, for if your husband does not appear, the case must go against him, and to lose this case would be my death-blow. Will you, therefore, stand by and see another woman done to death before your eyes when you can so easily prevent it? I pray and beseech you to help me in this darkest hour of my life, and get your husband to reconsider this, his last decision and appear in court. What harm can it possibly do to him to deny a fact already disproven, namely, about his two visits to me? I have been, and am, fighting as hard a battle as any woman ever had to fight. Have you, then, as a woman—let alone as a friend, who has known you and yours for so long—no pity or sorrow for me? If you have, you will induce your husband to come forward and do what he can, as any honorable man would help me in a battle which, remember, I am fighting as much for his honor as my own. As you hope for mercy in the last day show mercy to me now and lighten the load which is almost past my endurance to bear, by persuading your husband to appear.

2 Victoria Mansion, Westminster, December 1, 1886.

HINTS AT HEAVEN.

To this pathetic plea the General's wife made this brief response:

DEAR LADY COLIN CAMPBELL—I beg to say I am fully aware of all the efforts you have made, and have caused to be made, to induce my husband to appear and give evidence on oath at your trial. Your appeal to me touched me deeply. I would could help you; but I believe this case to have passed out of our hands and to have gone before a tribunal where human aid is impossible. I remain, sincerely yours, ELIZABETH BUTLER.

Les Rahones, Dinan, December 15, 1886.

CALLADINE'S CRIME.

A Youthful Stamper in the Chicago Post-Office Caught Robbing the Mail.

CHICAGO, December 23.—Robt. J. Calladine, employed as a stamper in the city distributing department of the Post-office, was arrested last night by Inspector Bassett for robbing the mails. Calladine has been suspected for several months, as during that time money has continually disappeared from letters passing through his hands. He was caught by means of a decoy letter. The amount of his peculations is, of course, not known, but it is supposed to be considerable. Calladine is only 17 years of age, and was appointed about a year ago.

MR. W. C. STEIGERS

Will call on merchants wishing to contract for advertising in POST-DISPATCH. Telephone

BROWNS---CHICAGOS.

A SPRING SERIES FOR THE WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP ARRANGED AT LAST.

Dates of the Games Selected—Indianapolis and the National League—Death of Kingcraft—Arthur Chambers and Jack McAuliffe to Fight—Base Ball Gossip—Sporting Notes.

President Von der Ahe of the Brown Stocking Club to-day received a letter from President A. G. Spalding of the Chicagos in reference to the proposed series of spring games with the Browns. He suggests that three games be played in St. Louis, one at Louisville, and one at Cincinnati. The dates named by Mr. Spalding are April 7, 8 and 9 at St. Louis, April 12 at Louisville, and April 13 at Cincinnati. This will leave four games remaining, and these Mr. Spalding suggests to lay over until the fall when three of them can be played at Chicago, and the ground on which the odd one will be contested can be chosen at the time. Mr. Spalding, as a reason for allowing the last four games to go over, says that the weather in Chicago will render ball playing there in the month of April utterly impossible. The winner of the series will be the world's champions. Mr. Von der Ahe replied to-day to Mr. Spalding's letter, accepting the dates of the first three games in St. Louis. As to the games suggested by Mr. Spalding for Louisville and Cincinnati, Mr. Von der Ahe says he desires to wait before making any definite arrangements for them. The correspondence, however, clinches the negotiations and another series of world's championship games is a certainty.

THE LEAGUE'S PREDICAMENT.

Will Kansas City Go or Will a Tenth Club be Added?

A dispatch from Indianapolis dated December 21 says that several enthusiasts in the national game in that city have been in correspondence with representatives of the National League with a view of establishing a League team at Indianapolis next year. The dispatch further states that encouragement in the idea has been extended to the projectors of the scheme by the League. The only inference possible to draw from these statements, provided they are true, is that the League really contemplates taking in another, a tenth city. A. G. Spalding in fact has intimated that such a thing may be done. Should a tenth city be taken into the League Kansas City will then have no cause for fear, but well posted League men say that the cowboys will surely go. This prophecy they base on the fact that Kansas City openly made application to the American Association for admission to its ranks; that it endeavored to purchase the franchise of the St. Louis League club, and that the League now holds its blank resignation. They also claim that Spalding's chat about a tenth city is merely talk and that the Eastern managers or a majority of them are perfectly satisfied with its seven older clubs together with the valuable addition it has lately acquired in Pittsburg. With Kansas City out, the League would be compact and strong as a base ball organization, while with the addition of such a club as Indianapolis, or any other one-horse town, could scrape together it would resolve itself into a cumbersome, long-drawn-out, and weaker body. Whatever Spalding may think or say, it is at least probable that the other League managers will have a word to say in the premises.

Base Ball Briefs.

Dave Foutz, the pitcher, is making money in California. He has forsworn faro, but it is whispered that he tries his hand at poker occasionally.

The Metropolitan Club is pretty well supplied in pitchers and catchers, but it is nearly all young material. Their infield, however, is unquestionably fine.

When the Brown Stockings step on the field next year there will not be a single old player who will not receive a higher salary than that which he was paid last year.

Kirby, lately returned from San Francisco, says that if he could find batting as easy in the League as he did in "the glorious climate" he would be supremely happy.

Conley, one of the Providence pitchers in 1884, who is now wintering in California, has been engaged by the Bridgeport club for the season of 1887. He was also wanted by the Minneapolis club.

Old reliable Joe Start has retired permanently from the base ball arena, and the chances are that little Dave Force will follow suit. They have both been prominent players for the past twenty years.

It is possible that President Von der Ahe will not alternate his pitchers in right field next year as many have been led to believe. It would not be a surprise should he secure a player who will fill that position regularly.

"Phenomenal" Smith, of last season's Newark Club, over whom the New Yorks and Detroits had a lawsuit, and who finally wound up by signing with the Baltimores, has arrived in California, accompanied by Daly, his old Newark catcher.

Several of the Louisville players have refused to sign for the season of 1887 unless they get an increase of salary. The directors of the club, however, stand firm in their refusal, and say that the men will have to come to their terms or retire from the arena.

President Von der Ahe says that he will carry a heavy team next year. "I took big risks last season," says he, "in carrying so few men, and would have been in a bad fix had any of them been injured. Next year I will have plenty of them, and all good men too, so that in case one gives out another can take his place."

KINGCRAFT DEAD.

Dan Swigert's New Purchase Dies on an Ocean Voyage.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Dan Swigert's ill-luck with his stallions seems to have no end. First Virgil died and was followed soon after by Prince Charlie. To replace them Mr. Swigert sent to England and bought Kingcraft and Rotherhill. Yesterday the steamship Lake Superior which sailed from Liverpool on December 11 arrived with a number of passengers and a valuable cargo, including twenty-two horses, among them Kingcraft, who was somewhat amiss when shipped, and who, it was learned, died on the sixth day out and was thrown overboard. The shipment of valuable horses in the winter is certainly risky business, and with the death of Blue Gown in 1881, it would seem that owners would find it safer to wait until later in the spring before shipping horses for the Western passage. Kingcraft was foaled in 1867, and was by King Tom, dam Woodcraft by Voltigeur, and was a full brother to Great Tom, now owned at Belle Mead, near Nashville. At 2 years of age Kingcraft ran nine times, winning the Chesterfield, Convivial, Buckingham, Triennial Produce and the October Produce stakes. He was third both for the Middle Park Plate and Criterion stakes; he was conceding weight to the winners and finished close up. In 1870 Kingcraft was third for the 2,000 guineas, but he won the Derby with McGregor, the winner of the Guineas, running fourth. He next walked over for the Great Surrey Foal stakes, and was second to Hawthornden for the St. Leger, after which his career on the turf was not very successful.

Kingcraft was then retired to the stud, at which he was fairly successful. His "get" first raced in 1877, winning a total of nearly £37,787, of which £4,310 10s is contributed during the racing season of 1886. The price paid for Kingcraft was not made public in any of the English papers, but on this side the Atlantic many persons interested thought that Mr. Swigert made a somewhat unwise purchase, from the standpoint of age alone, as Kingcraft would have been 19 years old had he reached Kentucky safe.

English Yachting.

LONDON, December 23.—The Royal Thames Yacht Club announces that an ocean yacht race for 1,000 guineas will be held during the coming season to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. The date for the race and the conditions under which it will be sailed will be published shortly.

Sporting Notes.

Pierce Murphy, the young local light-weight boxer, was given a benefit last night at Dan Daly's.

A national challenge to all collar and elbow wrestlers is soon to be issued by H. M. Dufur, the champion collar and elbow wrestler.

Jake Schaefer says he will issue a sweeping challenge in a few days to play anybody in the world any kind of billiards his opponent may choose.

Porter Ashe was in Chicago recently. In a conversation with a Tribune reporter he pronounced the stories about his domestic troubles published in the San Francisco Examiner "a pack of lies that were retracted the next day." He is on his way to New York to join his wife, who has been East since the first week in November.

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unless you appreciate a fine old whisky when you get it, and if you don't wish to lay in a supply of "Oh, be joyful" for the coming holidays. Should you, however, be wanting something in that line, we would call your attention to the fact that you can save money by calling on us, as we have concluded to offer to connoisseurs a small surplus of eight and nine years old, hand-made Sour Mash Kentucky Whisky—older than you can buy of most dealers—and will sell same for the holidays in quantities to suit consumers (not less than one gallon) at prices fully 50 per cent lower than you have been in the habit of paying for similar goods.

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A LIVELY CONTEST.

The Race for the New York Senatorship—The Speakership.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, December 23.—The atmosphere was quiet around the Senatorial headquarters yesterday. There were no new developments. The friends of Miller and Morton profess great confidence, but are doing less talking than formerly. As an offset to the figures of Congressman Burleigh, giving Miller fifty votes, for their candidate forty-two, on the first ballot, the friends of Morton claim fifty-two votes, forty-two in the Assembly and ten in the Senate. In the judgment of conservative men the figures given by both sides are exaggerated. There are still enough uncertain votes to leave the matter in doubt. Mr. Hiscock left for Syracuse last evening. The announcement is made by one of Gen. Husted's friends that the "bald eagle" will open headquarters at the Delevan House in Albany next Thursday, and officially proclaim his candidacy for the Speakership. The fact that Husted is a candidate for the Speakership has been known for some time, but the final announcement of it will unsettle the calculations of some of the other candidates. According to the present programme, arranged by his managers, Fremont Cole will not be drawn out of the race.

Frank M. Arnold of Otsego was at the Fifth Avenue Hotel last night. He said he had no intention of retiring from the speakership contest, and thought the fight would be between Gen. Husted and himself. In his judgment, however, the opponents of Baker had underestimated his strength. Mr. Baker, he thought, would have more votes in the caucus than he had been credited with. Mr. Arnold is very popular among his associates, and he has taken special pains to keep from forming any entangling alliances with the other candidates. He is on friendly terms with them all, and is in a position to draw their support should a deadlock occur.

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FINED HIM FIVE DOLLARS.

Delegate J. C. Brockmeier Up Before Judge Cady this Morning.

Delegate J. C. Brockmeier was tried in the First District Police Court this morning on a charge of disturbing the peace. Sergt. Hall, Mr. Meyer and several other witnesses testified that there had been a runaway about 4 p. m. on the 11th inst., and that quite a crowd gathered at the corner of Eleventh street and Park avenue. Delegate Brockmeier, who was under the influence of liquor, according to their testimony, stopped his buggy on the crossing there, so that two ladies who came along were unable to pass. Sergt. Hall ordered him to drive off, as he was obstructing the crossing, but Brockmeier refused to move. Finally he moved off that crossing on to another, blockading that, and all the time he swore at the officer and dared him to arrest him. The Sergeant said Brockmeier was too drunk to know what he was talking about. As he could not get him to keep still or move away, he finally arrested him.

Mr. Brockmeier admitted stopping on the crossing, but claimed that it was filled with other people, so that even if he did move off it would still be obstructed. When ordered to move off he told the officer to move the rest of the crowd, and Hall ordered him to get out of his buggy. This got him angry and excited and they exchanged some words, and he was arrested. After being told to move from the crossing he drove around the corner and his buggy was standing there when arrested. He denied swearing at the officer in the presence of the ladies and said that while he might have been a little under the influence of liquor he was not drunk. Mr. Curtis, a friend, corroborated the delegate's testimony, but said Sergt. Hall had ordered Brockmeier off the crossing several times before he went. He said the delegate threatened to have the Sergeant removed from the force. Curtis said Brockmeier appeared to be slightly under the influence of liquor. Judge Cady fined the defendant $5.

The Greatest Drive of the Year.

Two thousand men's nobby suits and overcoats such as are retailed by Fifth street establishments at $15 have been marked down to $8.50 in the great reduction sale for four days longer at the

GLOBE, 705 to 713 Franklin avenue.

LIPP'S LUCK.

A Peculating Postmaster Robbing the Mail in a Penitentiary.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—A very curious situation has been developed in the pending pardon case of John Lipp, formerly Assistant Postmaster at Lincoln, Ill. He was convicted of repeatedly robbing the mails and sentenced to three years in the Penitentiary. He has served out half his term. A long petition for his pardon was recently received at the Department of Justice, signed by a large number of the citizens of Lincoln, without respect to party, asking for his pardon. The Attorney-General took the precaution to send to the prison authorities for a report upon his conduct as a prisoner. The information was returned that upon receiving him at the prison he had been assigned to the post-office of the institution and that before a great while he was detected in robbing the mails and it was also discovered that he had been repeatedly guilty of the offense. The present prospects of a pardon are therefore not good.

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BIG FIGURES.

REVIEW OF THE COAL TRADE FOR THE YEAR JUST PASSING AWAY.

The Lead and Oil Business Shows Up With Some Figures Which Encourage Those Interested—Carpet Trade in St. Louis—Business Statistics Which are Very Interesting.

The following reviews of business in St. Louis for the past year contain some figures of interest to all citizens.

Coal.

The year just closing has been an eventful one in the coal business, but fortunately no bad effect has been felt so far by consumers. The total receipts here for the year were 50,000,000 bushels, an increase of nearly 1,500,000 bushels over 1885. Very slight variations in prices took place for the year. The contracts made on a sliding scale based on mining prices sustained very small variations as there were no serious or long continued disturbances in the mining districts. The manufacturers' contracts were closed at figures ranging from 7 to 8 cents, according to location, hauling distance, etc. For family consumption the price at the opening of the year was 10 cents, having continued at that figure since the fall of 1885, but came down to 9½ cents. Another ½-cent reduction occurred in March of this year and a few months later it decreased ½ a cent without any real cause, except that the demand had fallen off and the reduction was made to keep the teams going. In August the miners raised ½ a cent per bushel for digging and a consequent raise in the price to 9½ made then has since prevailed.

In May the agents of a new company approached the mine owners in the Illinois coal regions with requests for selling prices and an option on the properties for thirty, sixty and ninety days. The responses to these requests were quite extensive. On receiving the figures the agents reported to their employers and the Consolidated Coal Company was then formed and they began buying the mines at once. The plan was to obtain control of as many mines as possible within the district on which St. Louis is dependent. In some twelve or fifteen cases the owners either refused to fix selling prices or placed them so high that the negotiations stopped short without a sale. Some other properties nearly worked out were not taken. It was thought that the Consolidated Company would force up prices, and several owners under this impression retained possession of some good mines. So far the company has disappointed the suspicion, and President Ridgely stoutly protests that such is not the intention, and that the new company will be content with fair prices and the increased business brought by the judicious care of the shipping features of the business. The other mine-owners have formed a company, known as the Consumers' Coal Company, which is prepared to meet any raise with warm competition. The Consolidated Company obtained possession of seventy-six mines located in St. Clair, Madison, Macoupin, Washington and Vermillion Counties, Illinois, and within a radius of fifty miles from this city. The purchase money was $2,750,000, the deferred payments bringing the total cost up to $3,000,000. The capital of the company is $5,000,000. Many of the mines acquired by this purchase were in bad condition, the entries having been neglected and the machinery being in bad repair. This required additional expenditures.

The supply of coal at hand is inexhaustible and the natural facilities unequaled by any mining district in the West. The Illinois district adjacent to St. Louis has none of the impediments to mining met with in the Northern portion of the State or in low lands where the excavated veins are frequently filled with water and gases, completely checking work, and frequently causing disasters. In the district above described there are eight veins of coal, five of which can be profitably worked. The upper vein is 7½ feet thick and shows no sign of giving out. It is roofed naturally and by rock layers in many instances, affording the best facilities for working. This district can, if required, produce 100,000,000 bushels per year. Its only competing fields are at Chester and the Big Muddy fields, and in this State at Rich Hill and Lexington and along the Hannibal & St. Joe Railroad.

The territory which can be profitably supplied by St. Louis during the winter embraces Missouri, except the localities named; Kansas, Arkansas, Texas, Nebraska and even to Minnesota. At present St. Louis is deriving large profits from Chicago consumption, and is now shipping 125 cars of coal per day to the City by the Lake and selling it on the tracks there at better profit than can be made in the yards of the St. Louis Union Depot coal yards. To-day Chicago is paying 8 cents for its St. Louis coal. During the coming year much will be done to improve the shipping interests. Arrangements are now on foot to secure the use of cars on the economical plan followed by the anthracite companies so that the cargoes of coal can be replaced on the return trips by other shipments. Coal men predict that this city will handle more coal during the coming year than was ever before produced by the St. Louis companies.

Lead and Oil.

Mr. Thomas Richeson, President of the Collier Lead and Oil Company, kindly made a statement regarding the business of the past year in that business. St. Louis, he said, had the largest lead mills in the United States. There are three here, the Collier, Southern and St. Louis. The City of St. Louis sends the products of her lead mills to all parts of the United States. There are in the Republic between sixty-five and seventy lead and oil mills, and this city is able to compete in any territory with them. Her ability to do this is due to her situation; her proximity to the raw material and her position as a shipping point. While thus able to compete, however, in all parts of the United States, the most profitable and largest trade is what is called the home trade—that within a radius of 500 miles. The output of the Collier Company, which is the largest of the three St. Louis concerns, consequently the largest in the United States, and therefore a good indicator of the condition of the trade, is about 10,000 tons of white lead in oil per annum, 300,000 gallons of linseed oil, 250,000 gallons of castor oil, 100 tons of red lead and litharge and 200 tons of bar, pipe and sheet lead. The output for 1886 in white lead had fallen off about 25 per cent. This decrease in the business was due to two things. First, there was the fact that in 1885 the jobbers were well stocked and the spring of '86 found them so; secondly, the strikes of last March caused a general depression in building trades and the usual activity in white lead which is felt in March, April and May did not occur. Even after the labor trouble had subsided the jobbers ordered timidly and men who in former years had ordered by the car-loads only bought by the ton, living, as it were, in a hand-to-mouth way. While this was true, however, the prices had been rather better than those of 1885.

In the manufacture of castor oil, 1886 had exceeded 1885 by about 100,000 gallons. This is a manufactured product regulated entirely by the crop. It is the custom of the farmers to raise castor beans when it will pay to do so. The crop is a troublesome one to handle and when the cereals promise as well or better the farmers do not plant the beans. The output of the United States mills in castor oil never more than supplies the country. In 1885 the crop of castor beans was so insufficient for home needs that quantities were imported from the West Indies. Owing to a better understanding among the mills on this product a better price was promised the farmers and the crop increased as first stated. Kansas produces most of the castor beans. The great demand for this oil in the United States is due to its usefulness. It is an absolute necessity in the operating of heavy machinery, no other lubricator, whether animal or vegetable, keeping cool such large machinery as that used in cotton-compresses, water-works, locomotives, etc. For the smaller machinery, such as spindles, it does not do. Castor oil is used, too, in the manufacture of hair-oils, printers' ink, the dressing of morocco leather, and for various other purposes, which make it an important article of manufacture and commerce. The lead and oil market began to recover this year about the month of October, and letters from all parts of the country spoke encouragingly of the prospects for the coming year.

Most of the raw material used in the manufacture of white lead now comes from the West, where it is procured in smelting for the more precious metals. Missouri used to furnish it, but her mines are now worked out. The St. Joe mine is still the largest in the United States, but the product is not of the quality for immediate use in manufacturing white lead and requires refining. The miners will not go to this trouble or expense, as there is a demand for their lead for other uses for which its composition is exactly fitted, and which affords a market for much more than they can produce. No white lead is exported by St. Louis or for that matter the United States. England controls the trade even with Mexico and Canada, her proximity to the immensely productive fields of Spain and Germany enabling her to do this.

"The great difficulty with which St. Louis has to contend," Mr. Richeson said, "is the freight discrimination. In the South and Southeast rates are given to New York which are unfair to St. Louis, but that is true in all trades. Aside from Boston and San Francisco there is perhaps no city in the United States that does not pay in this direct way tribute to New York. The railroads haul her stuff almost at a loss and make good the shortage by rate discriminating against other cities."

The lead and oil business was one of the last to feel a commercial depression, but at the same time was also the last to recover from it. The bright outlook in that line was therefore encouraging for all others.

Carpets.

While well supplied with retail stores in that line, St. Louis has but one jobbing-house handling carpets. Mr. L. Renard of the firm of Trorlicht & Duncker furnished the information regarding St. Louis' business in that department of trade. He said: "Our territory embraces the States of Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and Texas and parts of Iowa and Nebraska. Our competition is from the cities of New York, Philadelphia and Chicago. There are no other cities besides these and St. Louis that can be considered carpet markets. In Chicago, even, there are no exclusively carpet jobbing houses, but the carpets are carried by wholesale dry goods men, such as Marshall Field & Co. and others. There are about six such dealers there, and their combined trade is nearly three times that of St. Louis. Our house does a retail as well as a jobbing trade. Our sales in both departments last year were slightly over a million dollars, an increase of from 10 to 12 per cent over the business of 1885, which fell slightly under a million. Of this total amount the retail trade was nearly one-half. Our sales in the jobbing line are made by traveling salesmen, of whom we employ seven in the territory named. Their seasons of work are in the months of January and February, July and August. Our first season of this year was just over and the goods shipped and delivered this year when the strike occurred, so that did not affect our business as it probably did that of some others. Just how far we were affected by the subsequent depression it caused, we cannot say, as at that time we were increasing our business and facilities and could not measure its effect as we could have done had we not being making these extra efforts. For the jobbing trade we buy from the mills of Philadelphia and the States of New York and New Jersey. The tapestry Brussels and ingrain carpets lead in the jobbing trade. Imported goods are only for the retail trade.

"Our retail business this year was an increase of 15 per cent over that of last. The heaviest months in the retail line are April and May, September and October, but the trade is pretty steady throughout the year. The carpet trade is not as sensitive as other business. The goods are rather staple and do not fluctuate with the raw material market as groceries do. The mills lay in their supplies for the year about seventy days preceding the seasons named. The average price of that material regulates their prices for the year which are once given and are standard. For this reason the carpet trade is very close. There are not the same margins in it that there are in other lines."

In regard to the railroads Mr. Renard said that the house felt fairly well treated. There were isolated cases of discrimination but not worth complaining of. The gentleman thought the tendency of the railroads was to do the fair thing and that more consideration would be shown the city in the future. It was too early yet to predict the business of the coming year but he felt hopeful and there was no reason to be otherwise. He said also that there were but few failures in the carpet line. The trade throughout the country was mainly in the hands of furniture men and on a very secure basis.

Hats and Caps.

The hat and cap business of St. Louis has advanced steadily since last year, and well-posted traders like Maj. C. C. Rainwater and J. W. Boogher claim that, with the exceptions of one house in New York and another in Chicago, St. Louis has three firms each of which do a larger jobbing business than any two houses in other large cities of the United States. As compared with last year, this year's sales show an increase of about 25 per cent. In round figures, it is estimated, local jobbers have disposed of $3,000,000 worth of goods. These sales were made by six firms, and do not include the sales of a number of smaller dealers and hat and cap manufacturers whose business brings the figures up an additional $500,000, making a total of about three and one-half millions of dollars.

The largest part of the St. Louis hat and cap business is done with Arkansas, Texas, Kansas and Missouri. A large trade is also held in sections of the country which do not come to this market for any other articles of commerce, as, for instance, Minnesota, Michigan and the Northwest, are furnished with soft hats by the local trade. All of the larger firms have agents located in Illinois, north of Quincy, and sell goods at the very door of Chicago houses. Southern merchants not infrequently stop over here to buy head-gear, while en route to Cincinnati for clothing and New York for dry goods. Fortunately railroad discrimination has not interfered with this line of trade and merchants here are fully able to meet competitors in any market within what is generally considered St. Louis territory.

The reputation of the local hat and cap market rests securely upon the superior quality and low price of soft hats. That goods are sold cheaper here is evidenced by the extensive trade which makes this the most prominent hat and cap center of the United States. Very few stiff hats are used in the South and West, hence the preponderance of soft hats in the total of sales. Soft hats are sold here of a quality which cannot be procured in Eastern markets. Sales of soft hats in large lots at figures as high as $80 and $90 per dozen wholesale are frequent here, but such prices are never received in other cities.

Altogether the local trade congratulate themselves upon the past year's increase in business and feel very much encouraged at the outlook for next season's trade.

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Small Stealings.

About 6 o'clock last evening Ed Davitt, residing at 920 Clinton street, had an overcoat valued at $40 stolen from him.

Last Sunday night the trunk of John H. Wonderlich, residing at No. 1004 Chestnut street, was broken open and $200 and a gold ring valued at $8 stolen.

Tuesday night Davisson Bros.' commission store, No. 701 North Third street, was broken into and $16 worth of clothing stolen.

An overcoat valued at $20 was stolen from in front of No. 808 North Broadway.

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The Horrible Fate of a Luckless Horse in New York.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, December 23.—James Gallagher was driving up Park Row yesterday morning with a wagon-load of newspapers, when his horse shied at a cloud of steam that rose from a deep hole in front of the Potter Building. Before Gallagher could pull him up the horse plunged through the scant wooden rails that surrounded the hole and fell into it sideways. The excavation was made by workmen of the New York Steam Heating Company nearly two weeks ago, and has been left uncovered ever since. At night a dim lantern burns over it. At the bottom is one of the many steam pipes, thick as a flour barrel and always scalding hot. The hole is 10 feet long and 6 wide. At first the horse's hind legs rested on the bottom near the big pipe, and his head and shoulders lay on the pile of rails and stones alongside the excavations. Gallagher quickly got the wagon clear. Another wagon soon came and carried the papers to South Brooklyn. All this time the horse's legs were being scorched by the hot pipes, and he was driven wild by the clouds of steam that rose around him. Policeman McQuade and half a dozen other men tried to haul the horse out of the hole. He hurried around to the Temple Court and got a rope and a lantern. When he ran back the horse was out of sight and a crowd of more than one hundred men were looking down in the pit. The horse's struggles had thrown him to the bottom. He was lying on the scalding hot pipe and screamed in his agony. McQuade lowered his lantern but could not see a foot away so thick was the cloud of steam. No one dared go down into the hole with the maddened horse and try and rig a rope around him. So the beast was left to suffer. At daylight crowds of men going to work stopped on their way to look at a horse being boiled to death. Every minute the throng grew. By 8 o'clock the horse was nearly dead and made very little noise. The crowd grew and the street cars were blocked. At 9 o'clock one of Henry Bergh's horse ambulances came along with a derrick and ten men hoisted the animal out. The horse was dead. It belonged to Charles Southard of this city and was worth $150.

Foot Balls for the Boys
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At an early hour this morning the wood and coal yard of Thos. Warcinski, 1953 Dickson street, was destroyed by fire. Two mules were burned to death. Total loss $250.

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DIED.

BROOKE—BIRDIE RAY, infant daughter of Chas. S. and Effie F. Brooke, aged 5 months 15 days.
Funeral from residence, 2519 Prairie avenue, Friday, December 24, at 2 p. m.

HILL—Mrs. SARAH L., wife of Dr. R. J. Hill, at Wauwatosa, Wis., December 23, 1886.
Notice of funeral will be given.

MURPHY—FRANCIS, aged 3 days, son of James Murphy.
Funeral will take place from the family residence, 1610 South Second street, Friday, December 24, 1886, at 2 p. m. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

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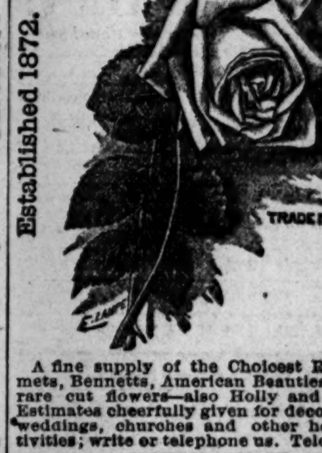
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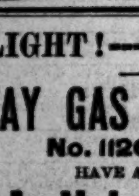
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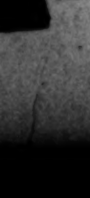
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LODGE NOTICES.

HALL OF MECHANICS' LODGE, No. 419, I. O. O. F.—Officers and members are requested to attend our next regular meeting, Friday, December 24, 1886, for initiation and nomination of officers. Visitors from sister lodges cordially invited.
THOS. G. WILLIAMS, N. G.
W. C. FIFER, Secretary. 33

IVANHOE COMMANDERY, No. 8, K. T., mounted, will hold a stated assembly at their asylum, corner of 7th and Market sts., this Thursday evening at 8 o'clock; installation of officers. Visiting Sir Knights are courteously invited. By order WM. BENT, G. and A. E. C.
Attest ROBT. TERRY, Acting Recorder. 33

HYDE PARK COUNCIL No. 4 Legion of Honor, meets this evening at Pope's Hall, 9th and Olive sts., 8 o'clock; very important business to be transacted. All members requested to attend.
R. L. LITTLE, W. C.
C. G. BALMER, Recorder. 33

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALES.

Clerks and Salesmen.

WANTED—A situation on the road by an experienced hardware traveling man; 12 years in the business. Address Z, Western Stove Mfg. Co. 37

WANTED—Situation in retail grocery, tobacco, cigars, or commercial house; had twenty years' experience; best city reference; will work cheap. Address J. M., care Charles Drake, cashier St. L., Ak. & Texas RR. 37

Coachmen.

WANTED—By party who talks German and English well a situation as coachman; takes the best of care of horses; no objection to milking. 920 N. 9th st.

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—A strong German man, middle age, who who understands the care of horses and cows, wants employment. R 44 this office. 43

WANTED—A young German man who understands the care of horses, gardening and green-houses wants employment immediately. Address N 45, this office. 43

HELP WANTED—MALE.

Clerks and Salesmen.

PHONOGRAPHY thoroughly learned, opens the best field for young people, especially for intelligent young ladies. Individual instruction given in Isaac Pitman's system. Call at once for terms, testimonials, etc., and save time and money. Gaebler's Shorthand and Type-writing College, 919 Olive st. 54

SOLID gold cameo rings only $2.50 at Frank & Son & Co.'s, 304 N. 4th st. 54

The Trades.

WANTED—A good barber immediately at J. Schirp's, Baden, North St. Louis. 58

WANTED—Twenty-five first-class coach builders at St. Charles Car Company, St. Charles, Mo. 58

COIN silver American lever watches only $10 at Frank & Son & Co., 304 N. 4th st. 58

Laborers.

WANTED—Five dirt teams; state price per day. Address C 46, this office. 59

WANTED—Good shovelers and one pog man at south pier Grand av. bridge. 59

Boys.

WANTED—An honest and reliable full-grown colored boy, used to working in the country; references required. Apply at 710 N. Main st., Friday, after 11 o'clock. 61

BOYS to know that $2 will buy printing press, with type and ink complete. 713 Olive st. 61

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—A temperate man located outside largest cities to represent an old house in his section; salary to begin $70 per month; references. Manufacturer Supt., Lock Box 1585, N. Y. 62

WANTED—Jan. 1, on our lines, four young men to learn telegraphing, to qualify for situations paying $75 to $100. Apply immediately to Union Telegraph Superintendent, 102 N. 3d st.; take elevator.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.

Clerks and Saleswomen.

SOLID gold ladies' watches only $15, at Frank & Son & Co.'s, 304 N. 4th st. 44

USE Tin Tag Soap; it makes the washing one-third easier to do. 44

Housekeepers.

WANTED—Situation by a neat, experienced housekeeper; first-class ref. given. Address M 45, this office. 47

WANTED—By widow with no children, position as housekeeper; can give good reference. Address B 45, this office. 47

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General Housework.

BRILLIANT Parisian diamond ear-rings, solid gold, only $3.50. Frank & Son & Co., 304 N. 4th st. 48

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STOVE REPAIRS!

For every stove or range made in the United States to be had at A. G. Brauer's, 219 Locust st. 48

Cooks, Etc.

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Laundresses.

WANTED—By a good laundress to do laundry work in private family three or four days in the week. Call or address till Saturday, A. Miller, 1320 Wash st. rear. 51

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Miscellaneous.

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Dressmakers and Seamstresses.

SOLID SILVER Thimbles, only 25c, at Frank & Son & Co.'s, 304 N. 4th st. 69

Housekeepers.

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General Housework.

WANTED—A good girl for general housework at 1735 Mississippi av.

WANTED—German girl for general housework at 4354 Olive st. 66

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Call at 419 S. Ewing av. 66

WANTED—A good German girl to do general housework. 1227 N. Jefferson av. 66

WANTED—Girl for general housework; family one; wages $7. Apply 210 S. 16th st. 66

WANTED—A girl 14 or 15 years of age to do light housework. Address 612 Morgan st. 66

WANTED—German girl for light housework; small family; good pay. 1009 N. Compton av. 66

WANTED—Good German girl for general housework in family of two. 1109 N. Channing av.

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Laundresses.

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Cooks.

WANTED—A good cook. 2731 Pine st. 68

WANTED—A German girl to cook, wash and iron at 3003 Pine st. 68

WANTED—A girl to cook and do general housework in a small family. Call at 4068 Cook av. 68

WANTED—At 2810 Locust st., two respectable girls, one to cook and assist with washing and ironing; one for chamber and dining-room work.

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Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Jan. 1, on our lines, four young ladies to learn telegraphing, to qualify for situations paying $60 to $90. Apply immediately to Union Telegraph Superintendent, 102 N. 3d st.; take elevator.

WANTED—Ladies to work for us at their own homes; $7 to $10 per week can be quietly made; no photo-painting, no canvassing. For full particulars please address at once. Crescent Art Co., 19 Central street, Boston, Mass., Box 5170. 71

WANTED—Ladies and gentlemen in city or country to take light work at their homes; $1 to $3 a day easily made; work sent by mail, no canvassing. We have a good demand for our work, and furnish steady employment. Address, with stamp, CROWN M'F'G CO., 294 Vine st., Cincinnati, O. 71

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DRESSMAKING.

DRESSMAKING—Receiving dresses designed and gotten up to suit forms and purses at Mrs. M. M. Ladd's dressmaking parlors, 2228 Washington av. 72

FASHIONABLE dressmaking; also ladies' underwear. Call or address 1010 Pine st. 72

WANTED—Ladies to learn dress cutting and making by a perfect tailor system at Mrs. McCarthy's, 1322 Blair av., old N. 15th st., between O'Fallon and Cass av. 72

WANTED—AGENTS.

WANTED—Three or four good German canvassers on the instalment plan, for blankets, rugs, bedsteads, curtains, etc.; ready sales; thirty employments and good commissions. W. L. Boncalle & Co., 1812 Franklin av. 73

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS.

WANTED—To buy a black and tan bitch pup. First floor, 1726 S. 12th st. 26

WANTED—A dump near 5th and Poplar sts., to dump clean dirt free. Address E 46, this office. 26

WANTED—One dozen good, light Brahma May pullets; state price. Address Geo. Radell, St. Peters, Mo. 26

ALL SORTS.

HIGHEST prices paid for cast-off clothing. Send postal. M. B. Cohn, 624 Morgan st. 32

SMYRNA rugs, lace curtains and all kinds of carpets on payments. Staley's, 807 Franklin av. 32

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A THOUSAND business cards, $1. Howard Scott, printer and stationer, 1302 Washington av. 32

Chas. T. Fitzpatrick & Co.,

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The St. Louis Mutual House Building Co. 513 Walnut St.

Loans large and small amounts and builds houses on city real estate. Payments monthly. Terms greatly reduced. 32

WAKEHAM'S "Entire Wheat" Bread

Is the best and most nutritious bread food in the world; made only by C. E. Wakeham, Stoddard Bakery, 3123 Easton av. None genuine without our label attached. 32

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—$5 Reward—Small, young, black pony; one white hind foot; from 3935 Iowa av. 30

LOST—In blue line Chouteau av. car, knitted silk purse containing $13 and change. Return to 407 N. 4th st. and receive reward. 30

LOST—Account book, 10x4, in front of O. H. Peckham & Co.'s, 409 N. Main st. Please return to above place and get reward. 30

LOST—December 20 large gold locket engraved W. K.; finder returning same to W. Krenning, 822 N. 4th st., may call for liberal reward. 30

LOST—On Pine st., between 27th and 28th, a small pair of black opera glasses in case. Liberal reward offered if returned to 2731 Pine st., and no questions asked. 30

LOST—In or about the City Hall a small amount of money. Finder will be liberally rewarded by returning same to Geo. K. Hoblitzelle. Comptroller's office, City Hall. 30

LOST—Pair of gold spectacles, either on Blue line car, Washington av., or 3d, between Biddle and Washington av. Liberal reward will be paid if returned to 2717 Papin st. 30

LOST—On Tuesday, December 21, one pair of solitaire diamond earrings. Not being able to name place that the loss may have taken place, request that if a pair of diamond earrings are found the same be left at Merrick, Walsh & Phelps' for identification and reward. 30

FOUND—On Tuesday afternoon late, near Elliott and Wash, a small pocketbook. Owner please call at 2741 Wash, prove property and pay for ad.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

COAL—10 bushels, $1; 21 bushels, $2; by the load, 9½c. T. F. Carroll, 2021 Franklin av. Send postal.

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FOR SALE—Cheap, entire contents of a four-room flat, complete for housekeeping; possession January 1. Address W 45, this office. 5

NOTICE—Our price beats them all; 25 bushels of coal $2.35; send postal to 1318 N. 10th st. Miller. 5

REMOVAL sale of carpets, furniture, stoves, lace curtains and everything needed for housekeeping on easy payments. Staley's, 807 Franklin av. 5

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$26 TO $100 folding beds in all styles, the best bed in the market, sold on payments. Staley, 807 Franklin av. 5

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O. K. COAL dealer delivers nine bushels of good coal to any part of building for $1; sells 2 and 4-horse loads at lowest market price. Office, 922 N. 12th st., C. F. Wuesteney, Prop. 5

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At cash prices; no charges, no interest: everything to furnish a house. People's Furniture, Carpet and Stove Co., 208, 210 and 212 N. 7th st., near Olive. 5

FINANCIAL.

A GENTLEMAN wishing to invest some surplus funds will loan $25 and upward on household furniture and other security; parties wishing advances will be treated fairly and can secure loans on satisfactory terms. Call at 1015 Morgan st. 31

FOR SALE—1,000 shares Cleveland or any part, 200 Laclede and 200 I. G. and S. Address G 46, this office. 31

FOR SALE—$5,000 7-per-cent dividend-paying stock. Apply to John F. Davies, Public Library, 7th and Chestnut sts. 31

LOANS on furniture in residence, city real estate and all good securities; fair and reasonable terms. Porter & Williams, room 2, 904 Olive st. 31

MONEY loaned on furniture without removal; any amt; lowest rates; bus. conf. 813 Morgan st. 31

MONEY TO LOAN—$50,000, $10,000, $15,000, $5,000 at 6 per cent on city real estate; 305 Olive st. John Lady. 31

MONEY loaned on clothing, diamonds, watches, chains, guns, pistols, musical instruments, etc., at Dunn's Loan Office, 912 Franklin av. 31

MONEY LOANED on furniture in residence; business confidential; no charge for making loan. Brolaski & Voorhis, 111 N. 6th st. 31

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$25 TO $500 loaned on furniture, pianos, without removal; also on horses and wagons; weekly payments taken and interest reduced in proportion; no commission. F. W. Peters & Co., 813 Chestnut st.

$2,000 TO LOAN, by private party on good security. For particulars address S 45, this office. 31

FURNITURE LOANS.

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A NICELY furnished oyster-house and confectionery; has done an excellent business; cheap rent; reason, death of owner; price, $100; keys at 3143 Thomas st. Address Cook, 112 N. 3d st. 2

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PERSONAL—Drugs: Friday. E. 1

PERSONAL—Ella: Yours received. I will be at place you mention. R 43. 1

PERSONAL—Lizzie K.: I have just received one—good for him—I met them, and you may hear of it; regards to Nellie. Dick. 1

PERSONAL—Wanted the acquaintance of some kind gentleman who will assist a widow who is in distress. Address T 44, this office. 1

PERSONAL—Young gentleman would like the acquaintance of a young lady, 18 to 20 years of age; object social amusement. Ad. P 45, this office.

PERSONAL—If the gentleman who called on the widow lady of 18th st. will appoint another place of meeting she will be pleased to meet him. Address H 45, this office. 1

PERSONAL—Rebecca L. Ady, M.D., 1422 Olive st., medical and electric treatment; also electro-magnetic hand baths, and baths of all kinds for ladies and gentlemen. Baths are a necessity and a luxury. Patrons can have choice of male or female assistants.

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A. L. SCHAFFER'S Gallery, 1630 Franklin av., for fine cabinet photos at $2 per doz. All work guaranteed. Other work moderate prices. 74

BRILLIANT Parisian diamond ear-rings, solid gold, only $3.50. Frank & Son & Co., 304 N. 4th st. 74

BARGAINS—Go to Mrs. E. Walsh, 825 Franklin av., for fine dress and plush hats; reduced 50c on the dollar. 74

DR. WOODS, dispensary, formerly 619 Locust; now 514 Olive, room 4; cures priv. diseases; new method

HAVE your bangles and Christmas presents engraved at 713 Olive st. 74

NOTICE TO HOUSEKEEPERS—Parties breaking up housekeeping and wishing to sell part or all their household goods for cash will do well to call on or address
74 R. U. LEONORI, JR., & CO., 1005 Olive st.

OUR plan is the easiest, prices the lowest of any time payment house in the city; carpets and furniture. Staley's, 807 Franklin av. 74

SELL your cast-off clothing to N. Jacobs. Address postal card, 318 Locust st. 74

TRY an oyster omelette; something fine. Wm. G. Milford's oyster parlors, 209 N. 6th st.

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Dr. Ramey, specialist, 919 Olive st., guarantees to expel Tapeworm, head and all, or no pay. Thousands of references in the city. Write. 74

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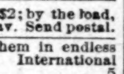
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No. 12 North Eighth st........ST. LOUIS, MO.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

WANTED—To buy a good 6-room brick house in nice locality, north or west, costing about $2,500 cash. Address L 45, this office. 22

HORSES AND VEHICLES.

Wanted.

WANTED—To rent for three weeks two single dirt wagons; state price. Address B 46, this office. 11

WANTED—To buy a strong, covered delivery wagon, with horse and harness; must be cheap for cash. Address F 46, this office. 11

For Sale.

CARRIAGES for fall and winter.—W. J. Russell, 1514 and 1516 Olive st., general agent for Columbus Buggy Co.; Perry Road Cart and Hitchcock Sleigh Co.; families desiring to purchase fine carriages are invited to visit my repository and examine the work; latest designs and superior quality at very reasonable prices; will trade or sell on monthly payments. 12

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FOR SALE—One octagon-front rockaway for 1 or 2 horses, the prettiest family carriage ever offered in this city, and would make an acceptable Christmas present. The Jas. Cunningham, Son & Company, 1104 Washington av. 12

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FOR SALE—Harness business in county seat, town of 3,500, in Illinois; good trade established; only one other shop in town; $1,100; a bargain; must be sold by January 1. For particulars address Aug. S. Heisel, Edwardsville, Ill. 4

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FOR SALE—One good piano at a bargain. 1900 Franklin av. S. S. Dreifus. 27

FOR RENT—ROOMS.

5 S. 16TH ST.—Two nice front rooms on third floor and water, $7. Apply on premises. 13

201 S. 14TH ST.—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping or for two gentlemen. 13

205 CENTER ST.—Two rooms, kitchen and cellar, in good order. 13

719 CHESTNUT ST.—Furnished rooms from $1.25 to $2 per week. 13

909 MORRISON AV.—2d floor, 5 rooms, bath, attic and laundry. Inquire at 909 Morrison av. or 1126 S. Fourth. 13

1006 N. COMPTON AV.—Nice front room; comfortable and with fire; cheap. 13

1117 PINE ST.—Furnished rooms, suitable for light housekeeping or gents. 13

1125 PINE ST.—Two back rooms, housekeeping, $8; respectable people. 13

1213 WASHINGTON AV.—Nicely furnished front and back rooms. 13

1421 PINE ST.—Nicely furnished room; all conveniences; private family. 13

1728 WASHINGTON AV.—Furnished rooms for rent. 13

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2115 MORGAN ST.—Two furnished rooms in private family. 13

2620 HICKORY ST.—Three rooms, folding doors; all late improvements and stable. 13

2641 OLIVE ST.—Second story front room, plainly furnished $10; back room $6; housekeeping. 13

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2735 OLIVE ST.—Handsomely furnished rooms, large and small; every convenience; terms reasonable. 13

3056 CASS AV.—Two rooms on second floor suitable for light housekeeping; reference given and required. 13

FOR RENT—Three rooms and bath, near street car; will sell part furniture; kitchen complete. Address J. R. Pigman, 506 Olive st. 13

WANTED—A dressmaker who goes out by the day would like to room with one of same; references exchanged. Address J 45, this office. 13

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2708 INDIANA AV.—A nice 6-room house; marble mantels, bath and all conveniences; rent $16. 14

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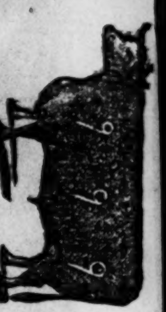
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SIDEWALK PERILS.

A Damage Suit for an Obstruction—Divorce Doings Under the Dome.

The damage suit of Mrs. Anastasia Kiely against August Wieden was called up to-day in Circuit Court No. 1. This is a claim for $5,000 damages on account of personal injuries sustained by a fall on the sidewalk on Jefferson avenue between Russell and Allen avenues. Mrs. Kiely states that on the 14th of June last she was passing along Jefferson avenue at the point named when her foot caught in a rope obstruction on the sidewalk placed there by the defendant, and she fell down, causing permanent injuries. The answer is to the effect that a building was in course of completion and in placing a railing in front of the house it became necessary to put a chalk-line on the sidewalk. It is alleged that Mrs. Kiely had passed along once and, observing the obstruction, kept out of the way of it. The second time, however, she came along rapidly to catch a street-car and did not observe the rope or cord. The accident was therefore, it is alleged, due to her own want of care.

The Moore Divorce Contest.

The Moore contested divorce case, particulars of which were given in the POST-DISPATCH of yesterday, still occupies the attention of Judge Lubke. Mrs. Moore took the witness-stand this morning in her own defense. The husband is a builder and contractor in the North End, and he seeks a decree on the ground of cold and indifferent treatment and indignities at the hands of his wife. The Rev. Doctor Ingraham of Grace Episcopal Church was called to testify concerning an interview at his residence between the husband and wife several days after the filing of the divorce suit. It could not be legally construed as a privileged communication between a minister of the gospel and a communicant, because Mrs. Ingraham was likewise present. The husband who was suing for the divorce occupied the position of secretary of the vestry, and when he came into the courts with his domestic trouble he sent in a letter of resignation. The interview at the parsonage bore reference to a reconciliation of the parties. Dr. Ingraham had previously observed nothing in the Moore family relations that would indicate domestic differences.

A Disputed Transfer Ticket.

A suit for $5,000 damages was filed last evening by Paul E. Beck against the Citizens' Railroad Company, Franklin Avenue line. He states that he was a passenger on an extension car west of the company's stables on Easton avenue and obtained a transfer ticket. He changed into a car coming east and tendered his transfer ticket which the conductor declined to honor. On his part the plaintiff refused to pay again and he was ejected from the car.

An Assignment.

An assignment for the benefit of creditors was filed this morning by Mrs. Jeannette Moos, dealer in groceries, cigars and tobacco, Jefferson avenue and Wright street. The value of the assets is placed at $400. M. N. Sale is the assignee.

A Divorce Set Aside.

Judge Dillon to-day set aside the default entered in the divorce case of Josephine P. Knipper against Edward K. Knipper, and leave was granted to the husband to file a cross-bill within ten days. Mrs. Knipper entered proceedings for a divorce and the case was reached for trial last May. She alleged that they were married November 8, 1884, and that her husband had rendered her condition intolerable by cruel and barbarous treatment, abusive conduct and repeated indignities. She stated that he frequently whipped her, threatened to kill her and humiliated her in the presence of others. The Court granted Mrs. Knipper a decree of divorce together with restoration of her maiden name and $30 per month alimony. Subsequently a motion for new trial was entered and it was sustained, the Court setting aside the decree granted. The case will be tried again early in the coming year.

An Architect's Suit.

A suit to recover $733 on account of services as an architect was filed to-day by Alfred F. Rosenheim against Price Lane.

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DUE TO DRINK.

Five Years of Dissipation Bring a Wife to Ruin and Death.

The hospital officials to-day report that Alice McGrath is dying at that institution from a cerebral hemorrhage. The woman was taken yesterday from the disreputable house kept by Susan Bopeep (colored), in the rear of 309 South Sixth street. She was unconscious at the time, and the keeper of the house reported that she had been in that condition, with occasional intermissions in which she could speak only in a whisper, since Sunday night. The attention of the police was called to the case through the report of the Bopeer woman Monday to Officer Griffith, which embodied the following: On Sunday evening Alice McGrath was so intoxicated that she had to be assisted to her bed. Her apartment was shared by another woman and a stock drover. In the morning the drover complained that he had been robbed of $90. Susan Bopeep said that during Sunday night two negroes were prowling about the premises, and that at 11 p. m. when about to retire she had encountered a negro standing by the rear door which communicated from the yard to the room occupied by Alice McGrath and the drover and his friend. This circumstance of the robbery led to the theory that the men were thieves and that the woman had resisted them, and been chloroformed and roughly treated by them. The fact, however, that she was too much under the influence of liquor to get to bed without assistance would go well toward dissipating the idea that she had proved an opposition to the burglars or had been awakened by their entrance a few hours later.

On Monday afternoon a physician was called, who pronounced her in a dangerous condition. The city authorities were notified yesterday and she was taken to the hospital. An examination showed a slight bruse on her cheek, which might have resulted from a fall. Her condition was probably caused by drink.

The woman, Mrs. Alice McGrath, came of a respectable family. She is about 38 years of age and has been separated from her husband, Jerry McGrath, for the past five years. It is said that she was strongly addicted to drink and that the appetite had proved her ruin. She is the mother of five children, three of whom have been in the House of Refuge for the past three years. The other two are a boy of 14 and a young lady of 18 who are living with a gentlemen and his wife who have adopted them, and between whom and themselves there is a strong attachment. Alice McGrath has been in the work-house herself for drunkeness and was regarded as unreclaimable.

Autograph Christmas Cards.

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The Cards Out.

NORWALK, O., December 23.—Cards have been issued announcing the marriage of Miss Mary N. Sherman, daughter of Nathan G. Sherman, of this city and Burchard Austin Hayes, junior partner in the Toledo law firm of Swayne, Swayne & Hayes, and eldest son of ex-President Rutherford B. Hayes. The wedding will be on the evening of December 30.

Santa Claus at the Globe.

One thousand men's fine tailor-made $25 suits and overcoats will go at $12.50 and $15 in the great reduction sale for five days at the GLOBE, 705 to 713 Franklin avenue.

Holiday Art Presents at Receiver's Prices.

Redheffer & Koch, art dealers, 1000 Olive.

FOUND ON THE TRACKS.

A Fatal Quarrel—Killed at a Crossing—Mrs. Williams' Murderer—Missouri Matters.

KANSAS CITY, December 23.—The dead body of Frank Timmel, a former hotel proprietor, was discovered yesterday on the tracks near the Union Depot. It is supposed that he committed suicide.

SPRINGFIELD, December 23.—Henry Pettitt had a quarrel last night near Brooklyn with Wm. Wood, and struck him a fatal blow over the head with an ax.

ST. JOSEPH, December 23.—James E. Dryden, a stock-raiser, driving in a buggy, was run over and killed yesterday afternoon at the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska railroad crossing.

HANNIBAL, December 23.—H. E. Campbell, a brakeman on the M., K. & T., was run over and killed yesterday afternoon. He fell from a caboose platform.

HOUSTON, December 23.—A reward has been offered for the apprehension of the murderer of Mrs. Etta Williams, who was shot in bed by some person unknown.

MARSHFIELD, December 23.—The meeting of the Farmers' Institute under the auspices of the Webster County Farmers' Club has been a success.

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THE HICKMAN TRIAL.

Bement's Big Blaze—Assaulted by a Subordinate—Illinois Items.

SPRINGFIELD, December 23.—The live stock breeders of Sangamon County met yesterday afternoon to form an association for protective purposes. They resolved to support the Miller bill in the United States Senate.

MURPHYSBORO, December 23.—The trial of the Hickmans, a father and two sons, for the murder of Robert Knox at a picnic has commenced. Great interest is manifested in the proceedings.

BEMENT, December 23.—The losses by the fire on Tuesday evening aggregated $15,000. It was the work of an incendiary.

CARBONDALE, December 23.—C. W. Smart, a factory superintendent, was seriously assaulted last night by J. Beard, one of the hands who picked a quarrel with him.

LINCOLN, December 23.—Capt. W. M. Beeson was arrested last evening on a charge of embezzlement preferred by the General Agent of the Continental Life Insurance Company.

JOLIET, December 23.—John E. Jack, who was released yesterday afternoon from the Penitentiary after serving a term for forgery, was rearrested on charges preferred in Iowa.

WINDSOR, December 23.—Charles York, a school teacher, was stabbed three times yesterday afternoon by one of his pupils, John Hogeland, a lad of 14, who objected to the punishment of his sister.

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SHAME AND CRIME.

Big Prices for Patti Concerts—Surrendered to the Sheriff—Texas Topics.

SAN ANTONIO, December 23.—Mrs. M. A. O'Connor, Thos. O'Connor and Mattie Collins have been held on a charge of murder, the victim being an infant who died of neglect and starvation. At the examination, the child's mother stated that she had been seduced by her brother-in-law, a ranchman of Gonzales County. The child was given to some colored people who undertook to care for it.

GALVESTON, December 23.—Patti and Nicolini arrived here last evening and were received at the depot by a large number of ladies and gentlemen. The prices for the concerts range from $2.50 to $10 a seat.

FORT WORTH, December 23.—William L. Howell came in from Rainer County last night and surrendered to the Sheriff for the killing of Thos. L. Cope last June.

WACO, December 23.—James F. Sheppard, a young man, who figured recently in an attempted elopement, was arrested last evening on a charge of embezzlement.

Santa Claus at the Globe.

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HOTEL PERSONALS.

S. W. Watson, John R. Wilson, B. B. Edwards, Newark, O.; A. J. Shotwell, Boulder, Colo.; P. S. Owely, Moberly, Mo., are at the St. James.

B. B. Cahoon, Fredericktown, Mo.; G. T. McNeely, Detra, Mo.; Geo. W. Sanders, Webster, Mo.; R. H. Stapleton, Tucson, Ariz., are at the Hotel Hunt.

John H. Judson, Memphis, Tenn.; Thos. Shore, Fayetteville, Ark.; T. C. Johnston, Kansas City; Evan T. Evans, Georgetown, Colo.; N. N. Young, Memphis, Tenn., are at the Lindell.

Wilmarth Foster, Youngstown, O.; Geo. Van Lear, Mondale, Mo.; H. A. Lewis, Henrietta, Tex.; John Quinlan and wife, Naples, Ill.; Otto Kochtitzky and wife, New Madrid, Mo., are at Hurst's.

B. F. Nevens, Pueblo, Colo.; George E. Walker, Potosi, Mo.; E. R. Bullenes, St. Joseph, Mo.; Ed Stafford, Wm. Haldemen, Chillicothe, Mo.; J. N. Blanchard, Council Bluffs, Io., are at the Laclede.

John B. Jaynes, Sedalia, Mo.; B. S. Hobart, Springfield, Mo.; Miss Alice DeWitt, Moberly, Mo.; Chas. N. Hughes, Wheeling, W. Va.; S. H. Velle, Jr., and wife, Helena, Ark; Clinton J. Edgerly, Yonkers, N. Y.; J. B. Pierson, Sandusky, O., are at the Southern.

D. L. Moore, Harrodsburg, Ky.; E. H. Wash, St. Joseph, Mo.; J. W. Houts, Warrensburg, Mo.; Chas. W. Greene, Kingston, N. M.; L. P. Cunningham, Joplin, Mo.; J. C. Treadway, S. M. Treadway, Natchez, Miss.; Samuel Aughey, Cheyenne, W. T., are at the Planters'.

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OUR NEIGHBORS.

Items of Interest and Gossip from the Adjacent Towns.

St. Charles, Mo., December 22.—Dr. John Schapp of Wichita, Kan., arrived in this city Tuesday on a few days visit to friends.——William Cotter of Dayton, O., returned to this place Monday to reside.——Der Ritter Der Arbiter, a local German paper in interest of the laboring class, will be published in Toledo, O., from January 1, instead of this place.——One of the features of the week will be a masquerade on roller skates at the rink to-night.——Charlie Mangue, better known as "French Charlie," died at the County Asylum Saturday morning from the effects of a paralytic stroke, which came upon him suddenly Friday afternoon, near Elm Point, while on his way home.

Columbia, Mo., December 22.—The Court has requested the County Treasurer to call in $900 of Boone County 6 per cent bonds, $300 of Perche and $200 of Rockyfork Township bonds.——The Inspecting Committee from the Legislature arrived here on Wednesday evening, composed of the Hon. T. W. Alexander of Gallatin; Dr. S. K. Crawford, Warsaw, Representatives, and Senator Wm. G. Downing and the Clerk, F. L. Schofield of Canton. They spent Thursday at the University, accompanied by E. W. Stephens, President of the Board of Curators.——The Columbia Gaslight and Coke Company are preparing to manufacture lime at their gas-works. They use 150 to 200 barrels of lime per month, and can burn it cheaper than they can buy it. They also propose to supply the home demand for lime, which is considerable, and to export instead of importing it from Iowa and other States.——The open session given by the young ladies of the Philaletnean Society on Saturday is conceded to have been the best that has been given in the University this season. The hall was handsomely decorated and filled with a large audience. The music both by the young ladies and the Cadet Band was exceptionably good. At the close of the exercises Mrs. O. A. Carr gracefully presented to the society the portraits of President and Mrs. S. S. Laws.——More lights have been placed over the rostrum in the University chapel and electric lights recently introduced in the library.——S. S. Turner living east of town is in receipt of a letter from A. Barclay, proprietor of the Miami Lumber Company of Springfield, O., stating that an unknown man, one of their employes, had been drowned. Mr. Turner's name and address being found among his effects, he was written to in hopes that he might identify the deceased. He disclaimed, however, any knowledge of him.

De Soto, Mo., December 22.—An effort is being made by our colored people to get the central college located here.——Col. Dave Cunningham will spend the holidays in St. Louis.——George F. Hamel, Charles Gorham and Charles Pyle, students in the medical college, are at home to spend their vacation.——Several of the society ladies will keep open house New Year's.——Considerable preparations are being made for the social hop New Year's Eve.——There is no scarlet fever in this city at present.——Miss Maggie Rankin is a guest of Gov. Fletcher, on Minnesota avenue, St. Louis.——The public school of this city closes on Friday next for a week's vacation.——Clark Hall, train master, was in town yesterday.——John Klinn and Fred Hacke will enlarge their harness establishment on January 1.——Miss Lizzie Donnelly of Charleston visited friends in town to-day.——The new brass band is in a flourishing condition.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The rumored fall of Kassala is discredited at Cairo, Egypt.

Railway traffic in Germany has been suspended by snow blockades.

The Japanese Emperor has adopted the etiquette of the Prussian Court.

Prince Alexander denies that he made a fortune out of his position as ruler of Bulgaria.

Thos. Connaughton, a switchman of Indianapolis, was shot yesterday while resisting arrest.

Robert Desposito was mortally wounded by James Cook, a hoodlum, at New Orleans yesterday.

Franciscan friars declare under oath that Abbe Liszt desired to be interred in the Monastery vaults.

Miss Artemisia Cook of Owensboro, Ky., is suing Mr. James W. Milton for $5,000 for breach of promise.

A. J. Mundella, a member of the last Gladstonian cabinet, in a speech yesterday approved the plan of campaign.

The German members of the Bohemian Diet withdrew yesterday because their grievances were not promised a discussion.

W. S. Tombs of Stockbridge, Ga., was assassinated yesterday by ambushed parties while he was driving through the woods.

A call for the annual meeting of the International Range Association has been issued, making the date and place Denver, February 8, 1887.

Gov. Hill yesterday issued a stay of execution until February 28 in the case of Mrs. Roxalana Druse, sentenced to hang for the murder of her husband.

Mr. Thomas D. Murphy of the Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle yesterday cowhided Mr. George Symms, an insurance agent. The cause of the trouble is not known.

The West Point Committee of Congress condemns the Academy's buildings and the present plan of frequently changing the professors at the Academy.

The report of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers shows the increase of patients the past year to have been 11 per cent.

Commissioner Atkins of the Indian Office has decided in favor of the supply depot remaining in New York. The purchases will be divided between New York and St. Louis.

The freight brakemen on the Louisville & Nashville have struck to secure the re-employment of two of the number who were discharged for serving on a grievance committee.

Miss Matilda Meyrick of Edwardsville, Pa., suicided yesterday because a surgical operation to which her lover submitted made a temporary postponement of their wedding necessary.

In the suit of J. Harris Rogers against the Attorney General to dissolve the Pan Electric partnership, Justice James yesterday sustained the defendants' demurrer and dismissed the plaintiff's bill.

John T. Morris, a journalist of Baltimore, Md., employed on the Sun, was committed to jail yesterday for refusing to tell the Grand-jury his source of information regarding secret business of the body which he published.

At the meeting of the joint committee on the Washington monument at the White House yesterday, the completion of the monument was announced. The commission will recommend that the monument be placed under the charge of the Secretary of War.

The Union Veteran Army of the Republic has secured the introduction of a bill in the Senate changing the pension laws. The bill practically removes the limitation of the arrears of pensions act, includes all persons disabled in the service, whether mustered or not, and grades all disabilities from 1 to 20.

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...nterest and Gossip from the Adjacent Towns.

...les, Mo., December 22.—Dr. John ... Wichita, Kan., arrived in this city ...n a few days visit to friends.—— ...otter of Dayton, O., returned to this ...nday to reside.——Der Ritter Der ...local German paper in interest of the ...lass, will be published in Toledo, O., ...ary 1, instead of this place.——One ...res of the week will be a masquerade ...tate at the rink to-night.——Charlie ...tter known as "French Charlie," ... County Asylum Saturday morning ...fects of a paralytic stroke, which ... him suddenly Friday afternoon, ...int, while on his way home.

..., Mo., December 22.—The Court ...ed the County Treasurer to call in ...e County 6 per cent bonds, $300 of ...$200 of Rockyfork Township bonds. ...ecting Committee from the Legis... ...ed here on Wednesday evening, ...f the Hon. T. W. Alexander of ... S. K. Crawford, Warsaw, Repre... ...and Senator Wm. G. Downing and ... F. L. Schofield of Canton. ...t Thursday at the Univer... ...mpanied by E. W. Steph... ...nt of the Board of Curators.—— ...ia Gaslight and Coke Company are ...o manufacture lime at their gas... ...y use 150 to 200 barrels of lime per ...can burn it cheaper than they can ...y also propose to supply the home ... lime, which is considerable, and ...stead of importing it from Iowa ...ates.——The open session given by ...adies of the Philalethean Society ... is conceded to have been the ... has been given in the Uni... ...season. The hall was handsomely ... filled with a large audience, ...both by the young ladies and the ...was exceptionably good. At the ... exercises Mrs. O. A. Carr grace... ...nted to the society the portraits ...t and Mrs. S. S. Laws.——More ... been placed over the rostrum in ...ty chapel and electric lights re... ...roduced in the library.—— ... living east of town is in receipt ...om A. Barclay, proprietor of the ...er Company of Springfield, O., ...an unknown man, one of their em... ... been drowned. Mr. Turner's ...address being found among his ...as written to in hopes that he ...fy the deceased. He disclaimed, ...y knowledge of him.

...Mo., December 22.—An effort is ...y our colored people to get the ...ge located here.——Col. Dave ... will spend the holidays in St. ...orge F. Hamel, Charles Gorham ... Pyle, students in the medical ... at home to spend their vacation. ...f the society ladies will keep open ... Year's.——Considerable prepara... ...ng made for the social hop New ...—There is no scarlet fever in ...resent.——Miss Maggie Rankin is ... Gov. Fletcher, on Minnesota ...Louis.——The public school of this ...n Friday next for a week's vaca... ...k Hall, train master, was in town ...—John Klinn and Fred Hacke will ... harness establishment on Janu... ... Lizzie Donnelly of Charleston ...ds in town to-day.——The new ... in a flourishing condition.

Boys, Attention!

... Santa Claus a pair of rubber ...keep them. Day Rubber Com... ...h Fourth street.

...iamond and Novelty Palace.

...k bought for cash—406-408-410

...RAPHIC BREVITIES.

...l fall of Kassala is discredited ...pt.

...fic in Germany has been sus... ...w blockades.

...e Emperor has adopted the ...e Prussian Court.

...nder denies that he made a fort... ...position as ruler of Bulgaria.

...ughton, a switchman of Indiana... ...t yesterday while resisting ar...

...osito was mortally wounded by ... a hoodlum, at New Orleans yes...

...liars declare under oath that ...ired to be interred in the Mou...

...a Cook of Owensboro, Ky., is ...nes W. Milton for $5,000 for ...ise.

...la, a member of the last Glad... ...t, in a speech yesterday ap... ...n of campaign.

...members of the Bohemian Diet ...erday because their grievances ...ised a discussion.

... of Stockbridge, Ga., was as... ...terday by ambushed parties ...riving through the woods.

... annual meeting of the Interna... ... Association has been issued, ...e and place Denver, February

...terday issued a stay of execu... ...uary 28 in the case of Mrs. Rox... ...entenced to hang for the mur... ...band.

...D. Murphy of the Augusta (Ga.) ...erday cowhided Mr. George ...rance agent. The cause of the ...nown.

...t Committee of Congress con... ...ademy's buildings and the ...f frequently changing the pro... ...cademy.

... the Board of Managers of the ... for Disabled Volunteer Sol... ... increase of patients the past ...n 11 per cent.

... Atkins of the Indian Office ...avor of the supply depot re... ...York. The purchases will be ...n New York and St. Louis.

...rakemen on the Louisville & ...truck to secure the re-employ... ...f the number who were dis... ...ing on a grievance committee.

...eyrick of Edwardsville, Pa., ...ay because a surgical opera... ...her lover submitted made a ...ponement of their wedding

...J. Harris Rogers against the ...l to dissolve the Pan Electric ...stice James yesterday sus... ...endants' demurrer and dis... ...tiff's bill.

..., a journalist of Baltimore, ...n the Sun, was committed to ... refusing to tell the Grand... ...of information regarding se... ... the body which he published.

... of the joint committee on the ...nument at the White House ...ompletion of the monument ... The commission will recom... ...onument be placed under the ...cretary of War.

...eran Army of the Republic ...ntroduction of a bill in the ... the pension laws. The bill ...oves the limitation of the ...ns act, includes all persons ...ervice, whether mustered or ...ll disabilities from 1 to 90.

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NOT A BOYCOTT.

Local Butchers Threaten Members of the Union Who Patronize Monopolies.

The following circular was sent out yesterday by Secretary Chris. Brokate of the St. Louis Butchers' Union, and was received this morning by the members. It is not a declaration of boycott, but a reiteration of the fundamental law of the union:

To the Members of the St. Louis Butchers' Union:

DEAR SIRS—At a meeting of the Directors of St. Louis Butchers' Union held at Central Turner Hall, December 9, 1886, the following dressed beef companies were unanimously declared as monopolies: P. Armour Company, Kansas City Dressed Beef Company, East St. Louis Dressed Beef Company.

You are hereby notified, by the order of the Board of Directors, not to buy any meat whatever of the aforesaid companies. Violating this order you are liable to be expelled from our St. Louis Butchers' Union, in accordance to Sections 22 and 23 of our by-laws. By order of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The officers of the union say that they do not expect the resolution will injure the dressed beef companies' business, but it was passed because reports reached the union from union wholesalers that members were purchasing of the monopoly companies. The penalty of expulsion is threatened under the constitution obtained from the National Association. Formerly a fine was the first penalty.

The Bachelor's Levees.

Every one has the liveliest recollection of the Bachelor, whose crowded levees were the features of the Exposition season. Then the Bachelor was exclusive and admitted only those who were in the building, but now he is generous and gives the public a chance to see his placid face and artistic outfits. The Bachelor is the wonder of the year, and no one who has not seen this wax-flesh puzzle should fail to do so. Every day until 9 o'clock p. m., he will hold a levee at T. B. Boyd & Co.'s, 309 North Fourth street.

C. W. McEvill, Cincinnati, O.; J. H. Wilson, Hannibal, Mo.; E. W. Pierce, Kansas City, Mo.; J. M. Jackson and wife, Columbus, Ky., are at the Everett.

KID GLOVES.

Lambskin the Real Material Used—Details of the Manufacture.

From the New York Tribune.

People accept the statement that every glove is kid that bears that name, while, in fact, only a small percentage of the gloves sold as such are genuine kid. The reason is plain. Millions of kid gloves are demanded by the inhabitants of every large country, while only a few goats, comparatively, are raised in the world, and of these a large number must be kept until full-grown for breeding purposes. The demand for gloves is much greater than the supply of genuine skins, and a substitute is found in the lamb skin, which makes an excellent grade of glove, and is easily palmed off for kid. Genuine kid gloves can be obtained at a high price, but thousands of people who think they are wearing kid have on the skin of the innocent lamb.

Of late years several kid-glove factories have been started in this neighborhood, and the manufacture of gloves has been carried on in a small way. There has been no attempt to compete with the French glove-makers, who easily lead the world, but a fair grade of glove has been turned out, selling well and comparing favorably with imported goods. In all the branches of glove-making here a high degree of skill is required, and the workmen here generally learn their trade in Europe.

The lambskins being selected with great care, are taken to the factory and put in large tanks partly filled with the yelk of eggs and other soft, sticky materials. Here they are subjected to a thorough pounding with a heavy stick, padded so as not to injure the skins. In some factories men with bare feet tread on them. The object of all this is to "nourish" the skin and make it strong and "healthy." The skins are kept in these tanks for a longer or shorter period, according to the judgment of the superintendent. If allowed to remain too long, they become too well nourished and decay. After the nourishing comes the work of cleaning. The skins are worked in tubs of fresh water and washed thoroughly until all traces of foreign substances are removed from the outside. They now becomes soft and in color a dull white. They are laid on a smooth stone slab with the rough side down and pressed and stretched until every wrinkle has been smoothed out.

The skins being wet, remain in this stretched state, and are then dyed. The dye is laid on with a brush, and the shade is always darker than the one desired, for the dripping and after-treatment lighten it at least one-quarter. The greatest care is taken to prevent any spots of dye getting on the inside of the skin, a spot being a serious defect in a high-priced glove. After the skins have been allowed to drip for several hours they are taken to the drying-room, the air of which is kept at a high temperature, usually by steam heat. It does not take long for the skins to dry out hard, stiff and rough. Before they can be used they are made soft and pliable again by lying for several days in damp sawdust. Then they are placed on a machine worked by a screw, and by a continuous and gentle pressure stretched to the utmost. If there are any holes, rough spots or cracks in the skin it is thrown away, or should be. Not all of the glove-makers are honest, and the blemishes are often covered up. This accounts for the sudden giving out of many gloves.

Santa Claus Changes His Quarters.

After making a tour of all the leading Dry Goods and Clothing Establishments in St. Louis, I have at last found the right place, and have established my headquarters at the Mammoth Establishment of the GLOBE SHOE AND CLOTHING CO., where sensible people can buy SENSIBLE GIFTS. If you want an Overcoat for a man, I can supply you with one from $1.65 to $25; for a boy, from 95c to $10. Men's Suits from $2.95 to $25. Boys' Suits from $1 to $10. Also, the finest of Hats and Gents' Furnishings. DO NOT FORGET that I am disposing of TORLINA & WEBER'S $25,000 Bankrupt Stock of Fine Boots and Shoes at 25 cents off on every dollar. Drums and other Handsome Presents given FREE to the Boys. ☞SANTA CLAUS, at

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Largest Shoe and Clothing Establishment in the West. Open until 9 p. m.; Friday this week until 11 p. m.

A Child's Ideas Derived From Its mother.

From the San Francisco Chronicle.

Up to the time a child can talk and say funny things she—it is generally particularly so with female children—she is her mother's pet. Then she is taken possession of by the male parent. A little while after she is born the new-made parent likes the novelty of dandling her, but it does not last long. Then for a while she is a nuisance to the father; but when she begins to get "cute" and cunning, when her mother has with infinite care and affection developed her infantile brain, the father steps in and begins to monopolize the credit. It isn't fair. But the mother always lets him. Since this column admitted clever children, fond parents come to me and tell me of their precocious progeny. It's an excellent thing, especially in mothers, but I notice that when a lady tells me a story of her baby she says "our baby." But when a father talks he always begins about "my little girl," and generally says: "I have a little daughter." I never met a child yet whose best ideas were not derived from the mother. I have heard of children who have been petted by their fathers, but they generally talked slang, which their fathers thought awfully bright.

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$7,000 Phillips County, Arkansas 6s.
$2,500 Saline County, Missouri C. H. 6s.
$1,000 Salt Pond Township, Saline County, Missouri, funding 6s.
$3,000 Franklin County, Illinois, 8s.
$10,000 Jasper County, Illinois, funding 7s.
$13,000 St. Louis Cotton Compress Company first mortgage 15-25 year 6s.
$15,000 St. Louis Chamber Commerce first mortgage 6s.

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MONEY.

NEW YORK, December 23, Wall street, 11 a. m.—The stock market had a quiet but irregular, though generally firm opening, advances over last evening's prices ranging from ⅛ to ⅝ per cent., the latter in Omaha, while Reading and Jersey Central were each down ⅛. Reading and Louisville & Nashville were the only active stocks with a fair business in Jersey Central. Prices were generally firm from the opening, though New England, Reading and Jersey Central lost small fractions, while a few stocks were decidedly strong, and by 10:45, when the advance was checked, Louisville & Nashville and Jersey Central had each gained 1½, Colorado Coal 1¼, Union Pacific ⅞, and others from ⅛ to ⅜ per cent. A recession from the best figures followed, but at 11 o'clock the market is quiet and steady to firm.

Noon.—Money is easy at 5@6 per cent. Bar silver, 99½. The stock market after 11 o'clock was extremely dull, St. Paul and Louisville & Nashville showing most activity. Prices soon became heavy and small fractions were lost in the general list, while Jersey Central displayed decided weakness and lost 1¼ per cent, part of which was afterwards regained. Tennessee Coal, which had advanced 2½ per cent, dropped below the opening price. There was no further feature and at noon the market is dull and heavy. Government securities: 3s, 100¼; 4s, coupons, 128⅜; 4½s, coupons, 110⅜; Pacific 6s of '95, 125.

NEW YORK, December 23, 3 p. m.—The stock market was heavy and dull during the first two hours of the afternoon although the declines were for small fractions they were sufficient to wipe out the gains of the morning. Toward the close a somewhat better feeling existed and the market became fairly steady, and continued so until the close, at which the quotations were at or near the lowest figures of the day.

BOSTON, December 23.—Mexican Central Railroad bonds: 4s, 54¾@54⅞; 7s, 58⅛@58¼; scrip, 76@80; common, 12⅝@13.

LONDON, December 23, 12:30 p. m.—Consols opened at 100 1-16 for money and 100¼ for the account.

4 p. m.—Consols closed at 100 1-16 for money and 100 5-16 for the account.

New York Stock Quotations.

Corrected daily by Matthews & Whitaker, bankers and brokers, 121 North Third street, St. Louis, Mo.

STOCKS.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Canada Southern	63⅜	63¾	63¼	63¼
Canadian Pacific	67	67	66½	66¾
Central New Jersey	50⅛	51	49¾	49⅞
Central Pacific	43¼			43¼
C., St. P., M. & O.	46¼	46⅛	45¾	46
do pfd	110½	110¾	110½	110¾
C., R. I. & P.	126½	127	126½	127
C., B. & Q.				
C., M. & St. P.	89⅝	90¼	89½	89¾
C. & N. W. com	113¼	113⅜	113¼	113⅜
Del., Lack. & West	133⅜	134⅜	133⅜	133⅞
Del. & Hudson	102⅜	102⅛	101⅜	101⅜
Denver & Rio Grande				
East Tenn. com	28½	28½	28⅜	28⅜
East Tenn. pfd	75			75
Erie com	33⅞	33¾	33⅞	33⅞
Erie pfd	71¼	72	71¼	72
Erie 2d mtg. bond	98¼	99	98¼	99
Houston & Texas	39			39
Illinois Central				
Ind., B. & West				
Lake Shore	95¼	95⅜	94⅞	95
Louisville & Nashville	63¼	64¼	63⅜	63⅞
Michigan Central	94	94	93⅞	93⅞
Missouri Pacific	106	106⅜	105⅞	105⅞
M., K. & T.	31⅜	31⅜	31⅜	31⅜
Manhattan Elevated	156½	156¾	156½	156½
N. Y. & New Eng	52⅛	52⅜	50⅞	51⅛
New York Central	113⅜	113⅜	113	113
N. Pacific com	27			27
do pfd	60¼			60¼
Ohio Southern	17¼			17¼
Oregon Trans	31¼	32	31⅛	31¼
O. N. & Trans Co	100			100
Ohio & M. com	27	27¾	27	27¾
Pacific Mail	48⅜	48⅜	48⅜	48⅜
Phila. & Reading	33½	33⅝	32¾	33¾
Pullman Palace Car				
St. Paul & Duluth com	55¼	56	55¼	56
do pfd	107½	107½	106¾	106¾
St. L. & S. F. com	31¼			31¼
do 1st pfd				
do 2d pfd	62½	63	62	62
St. P. M. & Man				
Texas & Pacific	21¼	21⅜	21¼	21⅜
Texas & Pacific income				
Union Pacific	60¼	61⅛	60¼	60½
Wab., St. L. & P.	18⅞	19	18⅞	19
do pfd	34	35⅛	34	34½
Western U. T. Co.	69⅜	70	69¼	69¾
West Shore Bonds	104⅛	104⅛	104⅛	104¼

ENGLISH CONSOLS — Cash — Opening, 100 1-16; closing, 100 1-16.

Account—Opening, 100 1-4; highest, 100 5-16; lowest, 100¼; closing, 100 5-16.

Local Bonds.

Corrected daily by James Campbell, Banker and Broker, 307 Pine street.

U. S. BONDS.

	WHEN DUE.	INTEREST PAYABLE.	BID.	ASK.
3 ₩ cent bonds		M. A. N. & F.	100⅛	100⅜
4½ ₩ cent bonds	1891	J. S. D. & M.	111⅛	112
4 ₩ cent bonds	1907	J. A. J. & O.	128	128½

ST. LOUIS CITY AND COUNTY BONDS.

City 4s sterling, 10-20s	1902	May and Nov.	101½	103
City 4s sterling, 10-20s	1902	Jan. and July	102½	103½
City 5s sterling, 10-20s	1900	June and Dec	103½	104½
City 5s	1900	Jan. and July	109	110
City 6s currency	1886—87	Various	101¼	102
City 6s gold	1892—93	Various	110½	111
City 6s sterling	1898	June and Dec	117	118
City 6s water	1887	June and Dec	101¼	102
City 6s water	1890	June and Dec	107½	108½
City 6s water	1892	Apr. and Oct.	110½	110
City 6s bridge approach	1892	June and Dec	110¾	111½
County 6s gold	1895—96	Jan. and July	114½	116
County Park	1905	Apr. and Oct.	123	125

RAILWAY BONDS.

Mo. Pac. 1st m 6s	1888	Feb. and Aug	104½	105
Mo. Pac. Consols	1920	May and Nov.	113¼	113½
Mo. Pac. 2d m 7s	1891	Jan. and July	111	113
Mo. Pac. 3d	1905	May and Nov.	122½	125
No. Mo. 1st m 7s	1895	Jan. and July	117½	120
K. P. 1st m 6s	1896	Feb. and Aug	108	113½
K. P. 1st m 6s	1896	June and Dec	106	111½
K. P. D. Ex. 6s	1899	May and Nov.	104½	105½
K. P. Consols	1910	May and Nov.	98½	99
St. L. & M. 1st 7s	1892	Feb. and Aug	112½	113

CLEARING-HOUSE STATEMENT.

Clearings ... $2,780,449
Balances ... 498,897

Mining Stocks.

Name.	Bid.	Asked.
Granite	$53 00	$54 00
Small Hopes	9 25	9 50
Adams	6 00	6 25
Sheridan	2 00	2 10
Peacock	2 90	3 00
Yavapai	85	95
Mexican Improvement	1 55	1 65
Ideal	90	95
Laclede		45
Quincy	11	13
West Granite	70	80
Hope	47 50	......

COMMERCE.

NEW YORK BUYING.

Large Orders From That Market Advance Wheat—Corn Uninteresting—Pork Lower.

By Telegraph from Jones, McCormick & Kennett, Chicago, to the POST-DISPATCH.

CHICAGO, December 23, 1 p. m.—Wheat changed hands on the opening this morning below 85c, as buying orders showed themselves at once and the brokers bid that price at once. Hutchinson was the principal seller and filled up the scalpers and commission houses, besides which there were limited orders to sell at that price. As soon as the confusion incident to the opening had subsided the market was dull and neglected until the orders from New York came pouring in, and it is conservative so say they did pour in most of the day. Milmine Bodman began the buying and were followed by Peck & Harrison, Brosseau and ourselves. Besides these were a great many small orders from the same direction. This heavy buying of wheat has left our market constantly bailed out and the local operators in a very nervous state. Above 85¼c the sharps began to show themselves and the price steadily advanced to 85⅝c. Gifford has been a big seller on the advance and those who have bought small lots on the recent break were inclined to realize. The close was very active and we noticed no large amounts of wheat for sale.

Corn has attracted little attention to-day, and the scalpers worked the market in sympathy with wheat. Considering the decline in pork the corn market shows considerable strength.

Provisions—The heaviness in this market of yesterday was helped to-day by better receipts of hogs and lower prices for them, and was checked only by the strong bull movement in wheat. Trading has been active at times and the closing at 1 p. m. is easy.

Closing Prices—3 P. M.

Reported daily by S. W. COBB & CO., 317 and 319 Chamber of Commerce, St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS:	Closing Yesterday.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing To-day.
WHEAT.				
Dec	80	....	....	80 b
Jan	80⅛	80⅞	80¼@⅜	80¾ b
Feb	81⅞	82⅜	82⅛@¼	82½ b
Mar	87	87⅞	86⅞@87	87⅜
CORN.				
Dec	34¼	....	....	34¾ b
Jan	35¼	....	....	35¼@⅜ b
Feb	36⅜	36⅞	36¼	36¼@⅜ b
Mar	39½@⅝	39⅞	39½	39½
OATS.				
Dec	28¼	....	....	28¼ b
Feb	29¾	....	....	29¾ a
Mar	31	31	31	31 b
CHICAGO:				
WHEAT.				
Jan	77⅛	78	77⅛	77¾@⅞
Feb	78	78⅞	78	78⅞@¾
May	84⅞	85⅛@¾	84⅝@¾	85⅜@½
CORN.				
Jan	36½@⅝	36⅞	36⅜@½	36⅝
Feb	37	37 @⅛	36⅞	37 @⅛
May	42⅛	42¾	42⅜@½	42⅝@¾
OATS.				
Jan	25⅞	25⅞	25⅞	25⅞
May	30⅞@31	31	30⅞	31
PORK.				
Jan	11.35	11.30	11.22	11.30 a
Feb	11.50	11.42	11.35	11.40 b
May	11.87	11.85	11.72	12.77
LARD.				
Jan	6.25	6.25	6.22	6.22 b
Feb	6.32	6.32	6.30	6.30@32 a
May	6.60@62	6.60	6.57	6.57@60
SHORT RIBS.				
Jan	5.67	5.60	5.57	5.60
Feb	5.75	5.65	5.62	5.65 b
May	5.85	5.85	5.70	5.75 a

NEW YORK—Wheat—January, 90½; February, 92⅛c a.; March, 93⅞c a.; May, 96⅛c a.; July, ——. Corn—January, 47½c b; February, 48⅜c b; May, 51½c a. Oats—December, 34⅛c; January, 34⅜c.; February, 35½c b.; May, 37 b.

TOLEDO—Wheat—January, 81¼c; May, 88⅞c b.

DULUTH—Wheat—January 88⅛c; May, 86¾c.

Movements of Wheat and Corn To-Day.

PORTS.	RECEIPTS. Wheat.	RECEIPTS. Corn.	SHIPMENTS. Wheat.	SHIPMENTS. Corn.
St. Louis	16,219	71,785	31,800	10,352
Chicago	85,994	130,935	13,530	80,098
Milwaukee	33,085	960		960
Baltimore	46,742	35,992	96,800	73,095
Toledo	15,513	12,991	8,475	7,900
New York	106,150	46,200	36,028	26,091
Detroit	14,808	18,311	....	5,393
Minneapolis	166,650	....	47,850	....
Duluth	78,547	....	....	....
Kansas City	6,500	14,000	21,000	14,500
Philadel'hia	66,625	51,727	638	30,345

Stocks of Grain in St. Louis Elevators.

	Wheat bu.	Corn bu.	Oats bu.	Rye bu.	Barley bu.
To-day	4,456,709	1,175,542	566,286	22,588	98,242
Yes'dy	4,508,481	1,146,104	557,003	22,055	100,285
	No. 2 Red.	No. 2.	No. 2.	No.2	No.2.
To-day	3,853,905	839,200	489,596	15,700	....
Yes-dy	3,896,604	813,718	481,418	15,167	....

St. Louis Markets.

FORENOON SESSION—CLOSING 1 P. M.

The St. Louis wheat market is upon a solid export basis, but just when her traders finds themselves in a position to work off some of their surplus stock they are hampered by the most vexatious causes. There is no open river, or one, at any rate, that can be depended upon, and cars for rail transportation are very scarce. If enough cars could be obtained, wheat could be shipped via rail to Cairo and thence by barges on the river, but exporters find it a matter almost of impossibility to obtain the cars.——The Call Board operators voted today to dispense with the afternoon session during Christmas (next) week. The Exchange directory will decide this question, but as all other markets take this action the Merchants' Exchange will undoubtedly do the same.——What is said to be the largest cargo of wheat ever carried by one vessel was recently received at Liverpool per steamer Iram. It consisted of 200,000 bushels of India wheat from Bombay and weighed about 5,100 tons. In addition to this she was laden with 260 tons of cotton, and the entire cargo was landed in twenty-four hours. ——Armour was supposed to be selling provisions through brokers in Chicago to-day, for the purpose of breaking the market and forcing longs to sell out.——A member remarks that if our market quotations had been properly circulated in the principal markets there would have been a return in the way of speculative business that would have paid the Exchange handsomely. New York's speculative trading in grain has been something enormous, yet the amount that came to St. Louis was insignificant and indirect, coming almost entirely by way of Chicago just because the St. Louis markets are hardly ever seen in New York. The business house that will not advertise its wares and keep its name before the public is soon forgotten, and how can this market expect to draw orders here when her grain quotations are hardly known outside of her own doors?——The St. Louis POST-DISPATCH of the 18th inst. says that "Minneapolis has revised her figures on the estimated amount of wheat in the country elevators, now making it 8,000,000 bu. where a month ago it was placed at 22,000,000 bu." This is revision with a vengeance. It is of a piece with the report yesterday that a miller who owns half a dozen elevators on a Minnesota line is actually closing his houses because there is no more wheat to come forward from the farmers of the section tributary to him. Some parties in the trade here say they believe at least two-thirds of the spring wheat crop surplus of this year has left the hands of farmers in the first four months, leaving but one-third to move from first hands in the next eight months. Others say the shipments from the farm have been so liberal that not more than one-tenth remains to be moved after deducing 15 per cent for seed on the crop of next year.—[Chicago Tribune. ——Private cables received this morning read: Antwerp wheat shows better feeling, but no dearer. London wheat market strong, 3d dearer asked. Liverpool strong, 1d dearer; money easier. Lohrke, New York: "Cables firm, and some orders better figures, but freights not low enough to work." ——Faith is sometimes represented by the figure of a drenched female clinging to a sea-washed rock; but a better personification would be a bald-headed man buying a bottle of patent hair-restorer.—[Shoe and Leather Reporter. A St. Louis bear, selling five wheat, with a sublime belief that he is thus sitting on the market and holding it down, would yank the glory from either the lady in soak or the chestra-headed gent, too easy.——Chicago telegram—Receipts on line Northwestern show quite a falling off last two days A San Francisco dispatch says advance ½c, owing to continued dry weather.——"What does that mean?" asked a member, pointing to Moses Fraley, Tom Carter and Henry Vogelsang planted deep in the Call Board chairs, only their scalp locks visible above the backs, and Ben Barnes hanging disconsolately over the railing. "That means wheat is up ¼c," was the quick reply.——Nightingale's cable was reported strong and limits advanced 6d.——Crosby, Chicago, to McCormick & Co.: A Liverpool house writes their branch here that United Kingdom will not have to exceed four week's supplies on the first of the year. San Francisco up to 1½c on dry weather. Think York are buying on stocks abroad.——Export purchases at New York yesterday were 17 loads wheat and 13 loads corn. Freight firm and moderately active, but room scarce.——

Wheat—The late bear attack seems to have abated and a more bullish feeling has taken its place. The strength displayed by European markets in the face of the proximity of the holidays, something very unusual, not to speak of the late depression on this side, acts as a sort of eye-opener to the trade, and shows them pretty conclusively that there is something in the legitimate situation after all. There was a firm tone to all the cables received, and most of them quoted advances, but an impediment to active export buying just now is the scarcity of ocean tonnage and high freight rates. It is probable that no large amounts will be sent away from this country until after the holidays, but January will probably be a "surprise party" to those bears who do not believe in the lately reported export purchases. By that time a large number of vessels now headed for America for freight will have arrived and as a heavy amount is actually known to have been purchased for January loading (over 4,000,000 bu at one port), the exports that month should be enormous. There was a strong enough feeling to advance the markets at the opening, and cause quick rallies every time prices went off any. The absence of the late free selling by prominent bears was marked, the "P. B.s" coming in on any soft spots that turned up and trying to force declines by selling some, but retiring quickly to the chairs when a reaction set in. All the decided changes in price were upward and the close saw the greatest strength, with the market then ⅝c above yesterday. Latest cables were quoted 3@6d higher and export purchases at New York were placed at 23½ loads, all of which tended to inflate the bull feeling still more. Spot grades were strong and higher, but lacked the activity of yesterday, as millers were slow to pay the prices asked and little was on sale. No. 2 red, 80½c in St. L. and bid for C. and D., 80c for regular; No. 3 red, 77½c bid E. side, 77⅝c for St. L. and E.; No. 4, —; No. 2 Mediterranean, 79c bid: No. 3 do, 76c bid; rejected, 65c bid.

Corn—There was enough boom in wheat to help this market up to a higher plane in values, but the gain was very small—not over ⅛c—so slack was speculation. The demand was very small and it happened that the offerings were a little larger than could be well taken care of, so that all the strength and advance in other markets were barely enough to sustain prices. Spot grades were quiet and unchanged, hardly any demand coming for them, so that even the very small offerings did not help the market. Except good sales of No. 2 in M., little was done. No. 2, 34¾c in A., 35½c in M., 35⅝c bid for C.; No. 3, 34¼c bid for E. side, 35c for C. and M.; No. 4, 33c bid E. side; No. 2 white, 38c in St. L., 37¾c asked regular; No. 3 do, 36c bid this side.

Oats were steady, but dull, as only one trade in May was made, and there was little desire shown to operate. Spot grades were in scant offering, and buyers had to pay full rates to purchase. No. 2, 29⅛c in M.; 28⅝c bid for regular; No. 3, 28¼c bid for east, and 28½c for this side.

Nothing offered for sale and indifferent bids made of 54c for No. 2 and 52c for No. 3.

Barley—A holiday market, with brewers well supplied. Prices range as follows: Common and rejected, 30@35c; No. 3, 40@45c; prime, 50@55c; choice and fancy, 60@67c.

Flour—Demand fully equal to the offerings, which, with the higher wheat market, made a strong feeling, and there was no difficulty in obtaining full rates; for good desirable grades somewhat better figures were paid. Patents, $4.15 @4.50; straights, $3.75@4; clears, $3.30@3.65; mediums, $2.50@3; low grades, $2@2.30. Quotations of the St. Louis Flour Dealers' Association were: XX, $2.25@2.36; XXX, $2.50@2.60; family, $2.75@2.90; choice, $3 20@3.30; fancy, $3.50 @3.65; extra do, $3.80@4; patents at $4.15@4.40. These prices are for lots on arrival at the depot or levee; order lots higher.

Rye Flour—Quiet at $3.15@3.20 per bbl.

Cornmeal—Firm at $2.10@2.15 for city orders del.; pearl meal, $2.50, grits and hominy, $2.60@2.75.

Buckwheat Flour—New York—Pure, $5@5.25; patent, $4.50@4.75; Wisconsin, $4.25@4.50; Western, $4@4.25.

Bran nominal at 67c for sacked at mill, and 69c f. o. b.

Hay—Local feeders, desiring to clean up their stock before the first of the year, were not buying, except enough to supply their pressing wants. There was such a light demand in consequence and offerings were so large that the market was dull and weak on everything. Sales ranged as follows: This side—Prairie, $9@10.50 for choice to fancy; mixed timothy, $7.50@9.50; prime to fancy timothy, $9 @13. East track stock sells about $1@2 per ton below the above rates.

Provisions were dull, more because of a scarcity of offerings than a lack of demand. Very little up-country stuff was to be had, some 25-day dry salt shoulders selling to go East at a price equivalent to 4.30c c. and f. here, and 15@20-day c'ribs offered to arrive at 5.67½c c. and f., but as a rule brokers had but little for sale. A letter from a country packer to M. A. Bowles voiced the sentiments of most of them, he saying: "We will not offer anything until after the holidays, expecting higher prices then. Have sold 30-day shoulders at 4.60c, Chicago rate freight to the East." The order demand was fairly good, boxed dry salt shoulders selling at 4.35c, longs at 5.55c, c'ribs at 5.70 and shorts at 5.80c and packed bacon shoulders at 5⅛c, c'ribs at 6.70c (loose at 6⅝c) and shorts at 6⅞@7c—longs with 6.50@6.60c. Green meats from the block at 5.60c for shorts and 8.40c for 15-℔ hams. Pork sold at $11.12½@11.15 for old and $11.75 for new standard and $11.50 for new hardside. Prime steam lard offered at 6c and 5.95c bid. Country lard, 5¼@5½c per ℔ for small lots in irregular pkgs. C. s. c. hams, 9¾@11c. Breakfast bacon, 8½@10c. Beef—Family, $6.50@8 per bbl; on orders higher, $4.25@4.75 per ½-bbl; dried, 11 @12c; selected, 14c ₩ ℔; smoked tongues, $4.25 @5 ₩ doz. Tallow—Choice, 4c in oil bbls; No. 2, 3¼@3½c; in irregular packages, ¼c less; Choice cake, 4@4½c. Grease—Brown and yellow, 2½@3¼c; white, 3½@4c; straight lots held higher. Salt—Domestic, $1 ₩ bbl on east and $1.10 this side. Ground alum, $1.15 ₩ sack—small way higher.

Highwines steady at $1.13 in St. Louis and Cincinnati, $1.14 in Peoria, $1.18 in Chicago.

Lead dull and weak. Sale 50 tons refined this month's delivery at $4, and more offered at that.

St. Louis Afternoon Board.

Wheat unsettled, weakening off from a strong opening and closing ⅛c below 1 o'clock. Corn dull and easy. Oats unchanged.

Cotton.

The great strength of yesterday could not be discovered to-day, an easier tone taking its place. Liverpool showed little change, but that for the worse, futures beyond January-February closing 1-16d off, but spots, though "quiet and rather easier," quotably unchanged. New York spots were quiet and futures declined 8 points. St. Louis was steady and sales of 723 bales made. The Liverpool Exchange closes from to-morrow evening to December 28, and from December 31 to January 4, over the holidays.

LOCAL SPOT QUOTATIONS—Low ordinary, 6¾c: ordinary, 7½c; good ordinary, 8¼c; low, middling, 8 11-16c; middling, 9c; good middling, 9 5-16c; middling fair, 9⅞c; fair, 10⅝c. Stained ¼@⅜c below white.

RECEIPTS, SHIPMENTS AND STOCKS—Gross receipts to-day, 3,625 bales; since September 1, 1886, 262,575 bales, against 336,895 same time last year; shipments to-day, 3,185 bales; since September 1, 1886, 207,068 bales, against 240,335 bales same time last year; stocks in compresses and warehouses to-day, 65,423 bales, against 97,669 bales.

CLOSING PRICES—3 P. M.

LIVERPOOL—Uplands, 5¼d; Orleans, 5⅜d. Sales, 10,000 bales. Futures closed steady. December and January, 5 11-64d; January and February, 5 11-64d; February and March, 5 11-64d; March and April, 5 13-64d; April and May, 5 15-64d; May and June, 5 17-64d; June and July, 5 19-64d; July and August, 5 21-64d.

NEW YORK—Futures barely steady a 2:12 p. m. December, 9.38c; January, 9.39c; February, 9.51c; March, 9.62c; April, 9.73c; May, 9.83c; June, 9.93c; July, 10.02c; August, 10.07c. Sales, 58,600 bales.

Country Produce.

APPLES—Slow and unchanged: Geniting, $2.00 @2.25; winesap, $2.50@2.75, Roman beauty. Ben Davis, willow twig and good varieties, $2.75@3.00 per bbl.

DRIED FRUITS—Firm and in demand, especially apples; sun-dried apples at 3½@4c for old and poor; 4½@4¾c for fair to good quarters; 5¼@5½c for choice bright quarters; peelings and cores, 2½@3c. Evaporated at 9@10c for quarters and slices and 10½@11½c for rings. Peaches—Quarters and mixed, 4½@5c, and halves, 5@6c for old, and 6½@7c for new; evaporated, 10@14c for unpeeled, and 14@18c for peeled. Blackberries, 9½@9¾c.

POTATOES—Slow and easy. Rose at 50@53c, Peerless and Beauty of Hebron at 48@50c; Burbank at 50@52½c per bu.

ONIONS—Quiet and easy at 70@80c, according to quality.

BUTTER—Receipts, 35,731 lbs. Limited demand and liberal offerings caused some sellers to shade prices. Roll and medium-grade dairy in best demand. We quote: Creamery—Choice to fancy, 24@26c; selections, 27c; Elgin higher. Dairy—Choice, 21@23c; selections, a shade more; fair to medium, 15@20c; common, including near-by country make, at 10@12c, according to quality. Roll—Near-by at 12½@15c; choice Northern, 18@20c.

CHEESE — Wisconsin full cream, 11½@12c, Illinois do do, 10@11c; skims, 7@8½c; Young America, 12½c.

EGGS—Receipts, 211 pkgs. Firm and in demand; sales of good at 21@22c, while ice-house stock and limed, salted and otherwise preserved at much less.

GAME—Firm and in good demand. We quote: Deer carcasses, 8c; venison saddles 8@9c, and bear saddles 15c ₩ ℔; wild turkeys, 7@8c ₩ ℔; grouse, $5; quail, $1.50; pheasants, $3.50; woodcock $3.50; opossum, 5 @15c each; rabbits, $1; jack rabbits $3; squirrels, 60c; snipe, $1.50. Ducks—Wood and mixed, $1.75; teal, $2.00; mallard, $2.50; red head, $3; canvas back, $4.50; plover, 50c@$1; sand-pipers, 25c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Large supply of turkeys and in excess of demand, prices declining. Choice to fancy chickens sold fairly, but poor dead dull. Choice fresh turkeys sold at 8c ₩ ℔, and rough and poor a little less. Fancy chickens, $2.00; thin and poor stock, $1@1.25; choice at $1.50@1.75. Ducks, $2.00@3.00, and geese at $4@5 for large fat and $2.50@3 for small, rough and poorly-dressed per dozen.

BROOM CORN—Dull and easy. Quote: Inside and covers, 2½@4c; self-working, 3@4c; hurl, 4@5c.

LAMBS—Sales at $1 50@3.25 per head, top rate for fat.

VEALS—Small fat, 5½@6c; poor, 4½@5c, and heretics, 3@3½c per ℔.

GRASS SEEDS—Quiet. Timothy ranges at $1.75@1.85; clover at $4.50@4.60; red top at 30@38c; Millet and Hungarian, 55@65c.

COTTON SEED—Selling at $9.25 per ton.

HEMP SEED—Firm at 90c, pure test.

FLAXSEED—Steady at 93c, pure test.

CASTOR BEANS—Prime salable at $1.32½@1.35

HIDES—Dull and weak. We quote: Green salted No. 1 at 8c; No. 2 and branded at 7c; bulls and stags, 5c; uncured 1c ₩ ℔ less; glue stock, 3c. Dry flint—Western, No. 1 at 15½c; No. 2 at 12½c; bulls and stags, 10c; dry salted, 12c; damaged, 10c; glue, 7c.

BEESWAX—Steady; 21c for choice.

DEER SKINS—Prime dry, 22c; salted; damaged and measty, 5@8c less; green, 10@12c.

SHEEP PELTS—Green, 50c@90c for fair to choice large; dry 30@40c; lamb skins, 30@50c; shearlings, 10@20c.

FEATHERS—Quiet. We quote: Prime live geese (white) at 40c in large sacks, and 41c in small sacks (stock largely gray, 5c ₩ ℔ less than prime white); unripe, quilly, etc., 30@35c; mixed, and old 10@30c, chicken (dry picked), 4@5c; duck, 20c; tare 3 and 10 per cent.

FURS—Steady and in demand. We quote as follows: Inside price for Southern and outside for Western:

	No. 1, Large.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No.3 and 4
Racc'n	$ 70@ 80	$ 50@ 60	$ 35@ 45	$ 10@ 25
Mink	50@ 60	35@ 45	25@ 30	5@ 20
Beav'r	6 00@7 00	4 00@4 50	2 50@3 00	25@1 50
* Otter	......	5 00@6 00	3 00@4 00	25@2 00
† Fox	......	90@1 00	50@ 60	5@ 35

* Cased. † Red and Gray, Cased.

DESCRIPTION	Price.	DESCRIPTION	Price.
Skunk, short stripe	50@ 60	Skunk, black	75@85
Skunk, broad and white	5@ 10	Skunk, narrow	30@40
Wolf, No. 1	60@ 75	Pole Cat	10
Wild Cat	15@ 25	Muskrat, winter	10
House Cat	5@ 10	Muskrat, fall	6
Bear, black & brown	25@8 00	Muskrat, kits	1@ 2
Badger	50	Opossom, (trash out)	10@15

☞10 to 25 per cent is usually deducted on otter, skunk, mink, fox, etc., when "open," and on coon, beaver, bear and other articles when "cased."

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Wheat, ⅜@⅝c higher and moderately active; receipts, 106,150 bu; sales, 296,000 bu No. 2 red January, 89 11-16@90⅛c; 320,000 bu do February, 91⅜@91⅝c; 56,000 bu do March, 93@93½c; 728,000 bu do May, 95¾@96⅜c. Corn dull and a shade easier; receipts, 46,200 bu; sales, 72,000 bu; mixed Western spot, 46@48c; do futures, 47@51½c. Oats quiet and generally steady; receipts, 43,700 bu; sales, 30,000 bu; Western, 34@41c. Beef dull; unchanged. Pork steady; unchanged. Lard dull and easier at 6.52½c. Butter firm; Western, 12@32c. Eggs—Western, fresh, 24@27c. Sugar firm; crushed, 6¼c; powdered, 5⅞@6¼c; granulated, 5 11-16@5⅞c. Molasses steady and unchanged. Coffee firm; fair Rio, 14¼c; good do, 14½c; prime do, 14⅝c. Turpentine dull at 36c.

CHICAGO, December 23, 11 a. m.—May wheat opened at 83⅞c this morning, or ⅛c higher than last night, rose to 35 1-16c, fell off to 84⅞, but rallied and is now quoted at 85⅛c. May corn 42½c. May oats 30⅞@31c. May pork $11.80. May lard 6.57½c@6.60.

1 p. m.—Wheat strong and higher; cash, 77⅜c; January, 77⅞c; February, 78¼c; May, 85⅝c. Corn stronger; cash, 36½c; January, 36⅝c; February, 37 11-16c; May, 42 11-16c. Oats firm; cash, 26c; May, 31c. Rye, 53c. Barley, 52c. Flaxseed, 92½c. Prime timothy, $1.76@1.77. Whisky, $1.18. Pork easy; $11.27½, January; $11.77½, May. Lard steady; cash, 6.17½c; January, 6.22½c; May, 6.60c.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., December 23.—The Daily Indicator reports wheat receipts 13,385 bu; shipments, 16,173 bu; in store, 321,095 bu; quiet; No. 2 red, cash, 67c bid, 68¼c asked; January 68c bid, no offerings; May, 76¼c bid, 77¼c asked; No. 2 soft cash, 74½c asked. Corn—Receipts, 17,782 bu; shipments, 8,710 bu; in store, 273,633 bu; steady. No. 2 cash 30⅜c bid; 30½c asked; January, 30½c bid, 31c asked; February sales at 32c; May, 35¾c bid, 36⅛c asked; No. 2 white cash 31½c bid; 31⅝c asked. Oats—No. 2 cash, 27c bid, 28c asked. Rye—No. 2 cash, 44c bid. Eggs and butter unchanged. Hay unchanged.

BALTIMORE, December 23.—Wheat — Western higher and strong; No. 2 winter red spot, 89c bid; January, 89⅜@89½c; February, 90⅜@90½c. Corn—Western steady and dull; mixed spot, 45¼@45⅜c, new; January, 45⅛@45⅜c; February, 46½c; steamer, 44¼@44⅜c. Oats quiet and about steady; Western white, 38@40c; do mixed, 35@36c. Rye steady at 56@58c. Provisions quiet. Other articles unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 17,633 bbls; wheat, 46,700 bu; corn, 36,000 bu; oats, 6,000 bu; rye, 700. Shipments—Flour, 5,428 bbls; wheat, 96,800 bu; corn, 73,100 bu.

NEW ORLEANS, December 20.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Cornmeal quiet and unchanged. Corn steady; mixed, 47c; yellow, 48@49c; white, 47c. Oats quiet; No. 2, 39c. Bran steady at 85@90. Hay steady. Pork steadier at $11.25@11.37½. Cut meats quiet—shoulders, $4.40; sides, $5.85. Bacon steady at 5.75@6@6⅝@7c; 1. c. s., 6⅜c@7c. Hams steady; choice sugar-cured, 10½@11c. Lard steady; refined tcs, 6c. Whisky steady and unchanged. Exchange on New York, $1.50@1.75 discount; sight, par. Cotton spot quiet at 9c; net receipts, 10,649; gross, 11,629.

DETROIT, December 23.—Wheat—No. 1 white, cash, 80¾c; cash Michigan red, 81½c bid; No. 2 red, cash and December 80⅛c; January, 81c; February, 83c; May, 88⅛c. Corn, 37½c. Oats—No. 2, 29⅛c; No. 2 white, 31½c. Cloverseed—Cash, $4.45; January, $4.55 bid. Receipts—Wheat, 14,600 bu; corn, 8,300 bu; oats, none.

CINCINNATI, December 23.—Flour firm. Wheat strong and higher at 81c. Corn firm at 38c. Oats quiet at 30¼c. Rye steady at 58½c. Provisions quiet and unchanged. Whisky firm; sales 996 bbls finished goods on basis of $1.13.

TOLEDO, December 23.—Wheat quiet and steady; cash, 80c; January, 80½c; May, 8⅞c. Corn steady; cash, 37½c; May, 43½c. Oats nominal. Cloverseed steady; cash, $4.60; January, $4.60 bid; February, $4.70 asked.

MILWAUKEE, December 23.—Wheat firm; cash, 77½c; January, 77¾c; May, 85c. Corn firm; No 2, 36¼c. Oats steady; No. 2, 26c. Rye quiet; No. 1, 55c. Barley unsettled; No. 1, 51c.

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Oil and Petroleum.

PITTSBURG, December 23.—Petroleum was dull but firm. Prices opened at 66⅝c, advanced to 66⅞c, and then declined to 66⅝c at 1 o'clock.

WILMINGTON, December 23.—Turpentine firm at 33½c.

CLEVELAND, O., December 23.—Petroleum steady; S. W. 110 7⅛c.

Foreign.

LIVERPOOL, December 23.—Wheat and corn arrived, not much doing. Wheat to arrive firm and shade higher, and corn to arrive, steady. Mark Lane wheat quieter, and corn steady. Country markets firm. Weather colder. California wheat to arrive advanced 3d. Spot wheat firm and improving; holders offer sparingly; No. 2 spring, 7s 4d@7s 5d; red winter, 7s 6d; No. 1 California, 7s 7d @8s 9d. Mixed Western corn steady, with a fair demand at 4s 6½d. Demand from United Kingdom fair for wheat and corn.

LIVERPOOL, December 23, 3:30 p. m.—Pork is in poor demand; prime mess, Eastern, 62s 6d, dull; do Western, 59s, dull. Lard is in fair demand; spot, December, January and February, 34s; firm. Wheat is in more demand; new No. 2 winter, 7s 5d, firm; do spring, 7s 4½d, firm. Flour is in fair demand at 9s 10d, firm. Corn is in poor demand; spot, 4s 6½d, steady; December and January, 4s 6d, steady; February, 4s 4½d, steady.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses and mules.
Receipts	720	5,921	1,671	38
Shipments	732	1,936	806	184

CATTLE—Trade very quiet owing to the very limited receipts which prevented all classes and especially city butchers from taking hold as freely as they would have liked. The general feeling was firm and values strong for all good fat cattle, other grades being about steady. To-morrow (Friday) the scales in all departments will close after business hours and remain closed until Monday, the 27th.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS.

No.	Description.	Av.	Price.
40	native steers	1,242	$3 90
17	native butchers	1,070	3 80
15	native butchers	1,123	3 75
41	native steers	1,260	4 00
43	Mexican steers	947	2 35
50	Texas steers	870	2 80
14	Texas steers	887	2 60
20	Texas steers	862	2 80
15	Texas steers	724	2 45

UNION STOCK YARDS.

Daily report of sales of cattle, December 23, 1886:

No.	Description.	Av.	Price.
18	Southwest steers	872	$3 00
11	Southwest stock steers	753	2 40
12	native steers	910	3 00
13	native cows and heifers	1,120	3 00
29	common Arkansas stockers	680	2 37½
25	Southwest stockers	772	2 75
25	Arkansas butcher steers	872	3 00

HOGS—The market this morning was decidedly weak, and sales were upon a basis of 10c to 15c decline from the best sales of the day before. The weather was soft and unfavorable for killing, yet nevertheless packers were free buyers at a range from $4.10@4.50 in the extremes for good mixed to best heavy, most sales at 4.20@4.25. Trade on butchers' account was light with sales mostly at $4.25. While lights sold at $3.75@4. The feeling was weak and the market largely bearish with prospects of closing lower.

Representative sales:

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
58	275	$4 30	68	271	$4 35
59	230	4 25	98	225	4 25
19	233	4 25	61	198	4 25
65	229	4 25	71	167	3 80
27	227	4 25	69	230	4 20
80	205	4 10	10	137	3 80
73	220	4 15	61	281	4 20
49	271	4 25	57	269	4 25
62	202	4 20	68	246	4 15
124	141	3 70	51	324	4 50
60	300	4 40	92	161	3 95
48	258	4 10	43	245	4 20
37	234	4 10	37	252	4 20
56	261	4 25	62	268	4 20
25	232	4 10	54	266	4 25
55	265	4 25	100	238	4 25
62	236	4 20	74	246	4 20
62	234	4 25	47	216	4 25
58	136	3 70	53	333	4 40
65	233	4 15			

UNION STOCK YARDS.

Daily live stock report of sales of hogs, December 23, 1886:

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
45	314	$4 50	66	307	$4 45
72	232	4 30	61	199	4 10
60	193	4 10	68	198	4 00
50	195	4 00	62	242	4 35
65	216	4 25	72	204	4 25
57	236	4 35	41	327	4 50
53	237	4 30	50	310	4 40
52	208	4 30	37	262	4 20
12	216	4 25	74	220	4 25
63	247	4 35	47	217	4 15
74	203	4 15	24	355	4 40

SHEEP—Receipts were fair, but of a decidedly poor quality, so much so in fact as to prevent buyers taking hold as freely as they desired. Good fat sheep were in request by shippers and the dressed beef company, but trading was dull.

Representative sales:

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS.

No.	Description.	Av.	Price.
55	choice sheep	143	$4 35
83	good sheep	96	3 85
31	good sheep	90	3 60
60	good sheep	89	3 50
192	good sheep	100	3 85
31	good sheep	102	3 25

UNION STOCK YARDS.

Daily live stock report of sales of sheep, December 2, 1886:

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
100	71	$2 25	26	82	$2 75
24	92	2 65	88	81	2 75
79	88	3 00	62	100	3 50
28	82	2 25	57	87	3 35
19	107	3 50			

Horses and Mules.

HORSES.

Heavy draft, extra	$150@200
Heavy draft, good	130@150
Saddlers, extra	140@175
Saddlers, good	115@130
Streeters, extra	100@120
Streeters, good	75@ 90
Drivers, extra	150@200
Drivers, good	90@125
Plugs, good	60@ 65
Plugs, common	15@ 30

MULES.

14 hands, 4 to 7 years old	70@ 75
14½ hands, 4 to 7 years old	85@ 90
15 hands, 4 to 7 years old	100@115
15½ hands, extra	130@135
16 to 16½ hands, extra	150@150

Live Stock by Telegraph.

CHICAGO, December 23.—Hogs—Receipts 33,000. Market active and 5@10c lower; light, $3.65@4.20; rough packing, $3.80@4.10; mixed and heavy packing and shipping, $4.20@4.50. Cattle—Receipts, 5,500 head. The market is stronger; best grades 10c higher; poor to fancy steers, $3@5.15; native butchers' stock, $2.50@3.10; stockers, 2@3.40. Sheep—Receipts, 5,000 head. The market is slow but steady; common, $2@3; good, $3.25@4.40; lambs, $4@5.

STOCK YARDS, KANSAS CITY, December 23.—Receipts cattle, 1,400 head; market dull and weak for all grades. Receipts hogs, 12,700 head; market dull and weak; some extra choice sold at $4.15; bulk; good hogs sold at 4c.

THE WEATHER.

The Weather Report.

ST. LOUIS, December 23, 1886.

LOCAL TIME.	Thermo'r	WIND. Dire'i'n	WIND. Vel'city	Weather.
5:59 a. m.	39.00	S	3	Cloudy.
1:59 p. m.	44.00	NE	8	Cloudy.

Maximum temperature, 35.0.
Minimum temperature, 46.0.
River, 3.9; fall 0.2.

G. A. WEBER, Sergeant Signal Corps, U. S. A.

Weather Bulletin.

WAR DEPARTMENT, SIGNAL SERVICE, U. S. ARMY, WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23, 1886.

The following observations are taken at 7 a. m., 75th meridian time:

STATIONS—	Barom.	Therm.	Change in 24 h.	Wind.	Rainfall in 24 h.	State of Weather.
Jacksonville, Fla	30.29	56	† 6	NE		Cloudy.
Vicksburg, Miss	30.18	50	- 5	SE	•—	Cloudy.
New Orleans	30.19	48	- 4	E		Clear.
Shreveport, La	30.08	60	†12	S		Cloudy.
Little Rock, Ark	30.08	42	- 2	Calm	.02	Cloudy.
Galveston, Tex	30.11	61	- 1	S		Cloudy.
Memphis, Tenn	30.12	54	† 6	SE	.02	Fair.
Nashville, Tenn	30.13	56	†10	S	.02	Cloudy.
Louisville, Ky	30.11	40		NE	.13	Lt. Rain.
Indianapolis, Ind	30.13	34	† 6	E	•—	Lt. Rain.
Cincinnati, O	30.18	38		SE		Lt. Rain.
Pittsburg, Pa	30.37	34	- 6	N		Cloudy.
Marquette, Mich	30.03	20	†10	SW	.04	Lt. Snow.
Chicago, Ill	30.14	21	† 3	S		Cloudy.
Duluth, Minn	30.05	18	†12	NW	.10	Cloudy.
St. Paul, Minn	30.00	19	†19	SW		Cloudy.
La Crosse, Wis	30.07	25	†18	S		Fair.
Davenport, Io	30.09	26	†18	SE		Cloudy.
Cairo, Ill	30.10	36	† 6	E	.18	Lt. Rain.
St. Louis, Mo	30.08	39	†14	S		Cloudy.
Leavenworth	30.08	21	† 7			
Omaha, Neb	30.10	22	† 8	Calm		Clear.
Moorhead, Minn	30.21	10	-15	N		Cloudy.
St. Vinc't, Minn	Miss.					
Bismarck, Dak	30.38	— 7	- 7	N		Clear.
Ft. Buford, Dak	30.38	— 8	-24	N	•—	Lt. Snow.
Ft. Assinaboine	Miss.					
Deadwood, Dak	Miss.					
N. Platte, Neb	30.08	19	† 2	N		Clear.
Denver, Colo	30.00	26	†12	W		Clear.
W. Las Animas	29.98	16	† 3	W		Clear.
Dodge City, Kan	30.01	26	†13	SE		Cloudy.
Ft. Elliott, Tex	29.86	24		SE		Clear.
El Paso, Tex	30.04	43	- 5	W		Clear.
Salt Lake City	30.22	24	-11	SE	.12	Clear.
San Francisco	30.32	51	- 7	SE	.04	Lt. Rain.

Dash (•—) indicates rainfall inappreciable; † indicates rise; - indicates fall; — indicates below zero.

G. A. WEBER, Sergeant Signal Corps, U. S. A.

Indications.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—Indications for twenty-four hours commencing at 3 p. m. to-day: For Missouri—Light rains; southerly winds, becoming variable; slightly colder with a cold wave in the western portion.

For Illinois and Wisconsin—Snow or rain; variable winds becoming northwesterly; slightly colder with a cold wave.

For Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska—Snow or rain; colder.

The Mississippi River will rise slightly from St. Louis to Helena and will fall slowly from Vicksburg to New Orleans; the Tennessee and Cumberland rivers will rise slightly; the other rivers will fall slightly.

THE RIVER.

Special River Report.

ST. LOUIS, December 23, 1886.

STATIONS.	Above Low Beach-Mark.	CHANGE. Rise.	CHANGE. Fall.	Rainfall.
St. Louis	3.9 ft.	0.0	0.2	0.00
Kansas City	3.0 ft.	0.0	0.0	0.00
Hermann	2.1 ft.	0.1	0.0	0.00
Peoria	0.0 ft.	0.0	0.0	0.00
Warsaw	0.0 ft.	0.0	0.0	0.00
Beardstown	0.0 ft.	0.0	0.0	0.00
GrandTower	0.6 ft.	0.0	0.0	0.05

G. A. WEBER, Sergeant Signal Corps, U. S. A.

River Telegrams.

CINCINNATI, December 23.—River 22 feet 7 inches and falling. Light rain. Thermometer 48 degrees. The Buckeye State is detained for repairs to her wheel and will leave to-morrow for Memphis.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., December 23.—River rising fast, 17 ft. 7 in. Departed: W. F. Nesbit for Tennessee River last night. Thermometer 45. Weather cloudy. Rain fell during the night.

CAIRO, Ill., December 23.—Arrived: Pearl, below, midnight. Departed: Alice Brown, Louisville, 8 p. m.; Boaz, New Orleans, 8 a. m. River 18 ft., rising. Cloudy and cold.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., December 23.—River rising. Arrived: Paris C. Brown from New Orleans; Kate Adams from Arkansas City. Weather pleasant.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., December 22.—River rising; 10 feet 11 inches in the canal; 8 feet 11 inches on the falls. Weather cloudy and warm.

WHEELING, W. Va., December 23.—River 9 feet and falling. Down: Harry Brown, light, 7 a. m. Raining.

PITTSBURG, Pa., December 23.—River 7 feet 4 inches and falling. Raining and mild.

Marine.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Arrived: Steamers State of Nevada and Glasgow.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

OFFICE of the LaGrange Iron Company—Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the LaGrange Iron Company will be held at its office, room No. 1, Turner Building, St. Louis, Mo., on Monday, December 27, 1886, at 9 a. m.

E. C. STERLING, President.

GEO. F. BAKER, Secretary.

ELECTION NOTICE.

OFFICE of Geo. Sahm & Son's Boot and Shoe Co., Boonville, Mo., December 20, 1886.—At a meeting of the Directors of the Geo. Sahm & Son's Boot and Shoe Co., this day held, Henry Sahm was elected Secretary and Treasurer in place of Geo. W. Sahm.

GEORGE SAHM, Pres.

ELECTION NOTICE—Office Helmbacher Forge and Rolling Mills Company, St. Louis, Mo., December 9, 1886.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this company will be held at the office of the company, northwest corner Barton and DeKalb streets, Monday, January 10, 1887, for the purpose of electing five directors to serve one year. Polls open from 9 a. m. to 12 m. The transfer books will be closed from December 15, 1886, to January 11, 1887.

A. HELMBACHER, President.

G. L. GOETZ, Secretary.

ELECTION NOTICE.—Office St. Louis Grain Elevator Company, December 16, 1886.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the company will be held at office, corner Biddle and Levee, on Monday, December 27, 1886, for the purpose of electing three directors to serve for three years. Polls open from 9 a. m. to 12 m.

HORACE GHISELIN, Secretary.

ELECTION NOTICE.—The Third National Bank of St. Louis, December 8, 1886.—The regular annual election for nine (9) directors of this bank will be held on (the second Tuesday) 11th of January, 1887, at the banking rooms. Polls open from 12 m. until 2 o'clock p. m.

T. A. STODDART, Cashier.

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RED BANK'S SENSATION.

Mr. and Mrs. West Effect a Reconciliation —Rockwell Arrested.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

RED BANK, N. J., December 23.—Mrs. West, who eloped from here some time ago with Fredrick Rockwell and who, with him, was captured in Kansas City, has become reconciled with her husband, and Rockwell has left the place. The reconciliation was effected in a most dramatic manner. Since his wife eloped, West and his children have been living with his relatives at North Long Branch. Tuesday at midnight West was aroused. He went to the door and was astonished to see his wife on the threshold. She was accompanied by Detective Patterson who had arrested Rockwell, and had driven from Red Bank to see her children. West says his wife importuned him to let her have her children again, or else kill her as life without the little ones was unsupportable. With tears and prayers she craved this boon. West, who was overcome with emotion, clasped her to his breast and freely forgave her. Then Mrs. West's little boy was dressed and sent back to Red Bank with his mother. Yesterday the two other children were sent to the same place and in the evening West went to the little house where the family will live. The news of the reconciliation created a sensation. Those who feel for his children, commend his course. West cares but little for the popular sentiment against him, and says he is doing what he believes to be his duty. West was summoned to Freehold yesterday to meet a member of the firm which Rockwell, it is alleged, embezzled funds from. This man greatly feared that Rockwell would jump his bail, and to bring him once more within the jurisdiction of the court wanted West to begin suit for $1,000 damages against Rockwell for alienating his wife's affections. West refused positively to do so. Since his wife's return West has been placed in possession of evidence that shows beyond doubt that the unknown "friend" who constantly kept Rockwell informed of affairs in Red Bank during the absence of the elopers is a well-known resident of this place. This man, West says, planned the elopement and perfected all the arrangements of the flight of the pair. Besides all this he advanced money to enable the pair to elope. Rockwell, so West says, held a secret which if divulged might blast the reputation of this man, hence it was to his interest to have Rockwell out of the way. It is said that after the attempt to mob Rockwell last Saturday Mrs. West became fearful that she, too, might be harmed, and she determined to have nothing more to do with Rockwell. He, it is said, called to see her, but she refused to see him. He then left, and had not been seen here since.

Rockwell Arrested.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

NEW HAVEN, December 23.—Frederick Rockwell was arrested in this city yesterday on a warrant charging him with not supporting his wife, who now resides here with his child. He was arraigned before Judge Deming and asked that his case be continued until to-day, to give him time to procure witnesses. The request was granted, but Rockwell was unable to furnish a bondsman and was obliged to go to jail. He said that his domestic troubles began with the birth of his second son; that his wife was stricken with puerperal fever and became subject to fits of insanity. He bankrupted himself paying doctor bills to have her cured, and afterwards, he alleged, she told him that she was "only playing off on him" on account of jealousy. He said that he did not think of such a thing as taking Mrs. West with him two days before he left Red Bank. He claimed that he can disprove the charges of abduction and embezzlement against him in Red Bank.

Ye Connoisseurs in Good Grub,

why not have something extra for Christmas dinner? Just imagine how Minnesota venison, Wisconsin fat geese or turkey with oyster dressing would taste. Or you can have Westphalia ham, Braunschweig, Cervelat or Salami sausage; Brie Neufchatel, Cream, Roquefort, D'Isigny, Brie Quebec and Swiss Cheese; Sardelles, Anchovies, Sprotten and Sardines. Oysters, Clams, Celery, Sea Fish, Crabs, Lobster and Game and all the delicacies to be found in Europe or America can be had at Faust's Fulton Market and Restaurant.

THE K. OF L. EXPOSURE.

Some New Facts Regarding the Publication by the Amsterdam Paper.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., December 23.—The excitement over the exposing of the secret work of the Knights of Labor has subsided as the investigation into the origin of the disclosures progressed. The affidavit made by the editor of the paper which first published the secret work, and hardly credited, was made, it is supposed, to throw the investigators off the scent. The POST-DISPATCH correspondent yesterday interviewed Master Workman McFedries, who explained the matter thus: "The secret papers from which the recent exposure was copied, is an organizer's circular, in force some months ago. This fact was established by comparing the published secrets with the ritual. The two were dissimilar in many respects. Again, in comparing the disclosures with an organizer's list in the possession of District Master Workman Cummings, the two were identical. There were two organizers appointed in this district. Mr. Cummings is the first and the other resigned the office and from the order some months ago. In July, at the Cleveland Convention, the secret work was revised. The changes then made were not noticed in the Democrat's disclosures and this clearly proves in the minds of the leaders the origin of the traitorous acts. Regarding the affidavit that I would take, it would come nearer the truth than Editor Kilnes. I will say that I believe H. C. Fronk, ex-Financial Secretary of the Local Assembly, is the traitor who furnished the copy. The copy may have been posted at Philadelphia, but Amsterdam was its first source. Several days previous to the expose, it is said that Henrietta Fronk made threats regarding certain secrets in her possession. They were received and denounced by the publication of a letter said to have been sent Miss Fronk. The contents, in bitter hatred, were equal to those communications credited to Molly Maguires. Miss Fronk claims to have documents in her possession which will exonerate her."

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THE SPOTTED NEGRESS.

Death of Mrs. Jacob Eldridge Whose Skin Changed from Black to White.

HOWELL, Mich., December 23.—Mrs. Jacob Eldridge, Howell's strange freak of nature, the old colored woman who has been gradually turning white for several years, died here yesterday. She has been ill for several months, but it is not thought that the peculiarly strange change in color which she underwent had anything to do with her last illness. The greater part of her body is now a healthy lily white. Her husband, who was a pioneer of this county, died Tuesday morning. Mrs. Eldridge's grandfather was a Guiana man, and her ancestors are full-blooded negroes as far as is known. The natural color of Mrs. Eldridge was quite dark, even for her race, and there was nothing peculiarly noticeable about it until she was quite advanced in years. Quite a number of years ago she noticed a spot of white about the size of a silver dollar upon her right leg. In the course of a few months others appeared upon various parts of her body, rather more prominent upon her limbs than body. In time these grew together until most of her body became white. For the last few years the change has appeared to follow the principal nerves and in time crept up the spinal cord and upon her forehead. About the time that the change reached the forepart of her hair, streaks of white began to appear upon each side of her chin and meeting at her mouth. One peculiarity is that wherever the change came it was complete. There is no fading of the white off into the black through the various shades of gray, as would be expected. Instead of this, the white and black are distinctly divided. The color of the changed portion is of a clear, healthy, lily whiteness, and one would hardly believe, to look at the arm of Mrs. Eldridge, that it was not the arm of a white lady.

During all the change Mrs. Eldridge suffered no inconvenience whatever from it, and never felt any kind of sensation either of itching, nervousness or pain that could be attributed to that cause. It has seemed to gradually go on without affecting her feelings or health in any manner whatever. Coming to this country in 1859, the particulars of this strange case are within the knowledge of all citizens who know fully of its genuineness.

When interviewed, Dr. Coleman said: "I was first called to see her about the first of April. I cannot see that there is any skin disease. In the skin of the negro there is a pigmentary deposit and in this case I think it but the absorption of this deposit as far as the skin is concerned. I never heard of a similar case."

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR GENTLEMEN

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MIDNIGHT MECHANICS.

New York Burglars Make a Big Haul in a Fish Dealer's House.

NEW YORK, December 23.—Over the basement of a five-story tenement on the north side of Hester street and a few rods west of Essex street is a sign containing, in the middle, a picture of a fish, with the name of J. Jaffe on one side and the words "Fish Market" on the other. In the rear of the store is the kitchen, in which the maid-of-all-work, Zenia Levy, sleeps. In one corner of the room stands a small safe in which the fish dealer keeps his valuables. The servant was awakened Sunday night by having the muzzle of a pistol placed against her temple and having some one whisper in her ear, "Keep still, or I'll kill you." Miss Levy does not understand English very well, but she understood him. When she was thus silenced, another man bound her hands with ropes, and then bending her body forward in the shape of a V, he bound her hands and her feet together. This done, a cloth into which the contents of a bottle had been emptied, was put to her nose. The fumes, she says, had the effect of rendering her incapable of crying out or making a noise, although she remained entirely conscious of what followed. Tied up as she was, she heard the burglars approach the safe in which she knew much of her mistress' money and all her jewelry were contained, and yet she could do nothing to stop them. The burglars secured $1,600 in cash and diamonds valued at over $2,000.

LADIES in search of Christmas presents for gentlemen should not fail to see those beautiful Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, 20 inches wide, which T. B. Boyd & Co. are selling at 50 cents.
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A BOLD ROBBERY.

Three Men Clean Out a Jeweler's Show-Window at Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., December 23.—About 10 o'clock last night three men drove up in front of the large jewelry store of J. R. Elliott, corner of Nicollet avenue and Third street. Two of the men jumped from their sleigh, while the third held the horses. One of the men carried a heavy stick of wood, with which he smashed the large plate-glass show-window, in which were trays of diamonds, watches and jewelry, hurriedly seized all the available and threw them into the sleigh, while his accomplices kept the crowds of people that swarmed the streets at bay with cocked revolvers. Before anything could be done to apprehend them, both men had jumped into the sleigh and drove rapidly up the street, the driver wildly lashing the horses and the robbers standing with revolvers pointed at the crowd. They secured between $6,000 and $7,000 worth of diamonds and watches. For boldness and daring this excels the James brothers' exploits. The streets were unusually crowded and scores of people were looking at the display in Elliott's windows at the time of the robbery. Several policemen were within a half block of the scene, but could not get there in time to apprehend the thieves.

Help Them.

Christmas comes but once a year, and is the time above all others when we should remember the poor and destitute, and the children have a special claim on us. While providing for the pleasure and happiness of our own little ones, let us remember the children of the Girls' Industrial Home, 718 North Eighteenth street, and of the Methodist Orphans' Home, 3533 Laclede avenue.

IT WILL BE IMPORTED.

THE NEW MELODRAMA WHICH HAS BEEN PRODUCED IN LONDON.

Mr. Jones' "A Noble Vagabond"—Artistic Illustrations of English Scenes—A Fortunate Maid—Patti's Plans for Her Niece's Future—The American Ballet—Settlement Proposed with the Discharged Italian Dancers—Amusement Notes.

Special Cablegram to the Post-Dispatch.

LONDON, December 23.—[Copyright, 1886].—"The Noble Vagabond," a new play by Mr. Henry Arthur Jones, the author of "The Silver King," "Saints and Sinners," and other well-known pieces, was produced at the Princess' Theater last evening. It is a melodrama of the prevalent English school, having nothing strikingly original in the plot, but being well-constructed throughout and crowded with effective situations. There is a miserly old man much after the Gaspard type; an English country gentleman whose house and land are mortgaged to the aforementioned old miser; a villain, the son of the miser, who takes advantage of the mortgage by trying to compel the daughter of the

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to marry him and a good and brave young man who thwarts the scheme. There are four acts but the piece culminates in the third, the story being well sustained up to that point and the last act is simply explanatory. The movement was brisk and the stage mechanism was perfect. At the opening of the third act there was one of finest autumn scenes with an English country house in the background ever painted for a London theater. As soon as it was revealed it produced the most generous applause. At the close of the third act there was a wonderfully realistic and striking representation of an

OLD ENGLISH FAIR.

The principal people of the cast, Charles Warner, George Barrett, Julian Cross and Miss Dorothy Dene were all excellent, Mr. Barrett in a low comedy part and Miss Dene as the heroine being particularly strong. Miss Dene is a remarkably handsome woman and her costumes were unique and beautiful. "A Noble Vagabond" is a strong piece and will be as great as the "Silver King." It is sure to go to America and will be quite as popular there as here. Miss Vane, who went from here to take a place at Wallack's Theater and who had to give up her engagement because of ill health, has returned to London much worse. The voyage had a bad effect and she was almost entirely helpless from paralysis when she arrived. There is little or no hope of her recovery.

THE AMERICAN BALLET.

The Settlement Proposed with the Discharged Italian Dancers.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, December 23.—The twelve Italian ballet girls who were recently discharged from the National Opera Company in Chicago claim $485 each under their contract with the company. This is the amount which they would have earned for the rest of the season. Through their representative, Sig. Ellero, they enlisted the interest of the Italian Consul, whose attorney, Dr. Ulio, has been asked to protect the interest of the girls. They were anxious to sue for the full amount of their claims with damages, but Dr. Ulio advised them that they had neither time nor the money necessary for a civil suit, and that, in the most favorable event, there could be no profit to them in a suit. He undertook to arrange a

SETTLEMENT WITH MR. EATON,

the counsel of the company, who referred the whole matter to Mr. Seymour Locke. Dr. Ulio advised the girls to accept $100 apiece in full settlement of their claims. Mr. Locke offered to pay each girl's passage to Italy by whatever line they might choose, and give them $20 apiece for contingent expenses on condition that they relinquish their contracts. The girls will consider the offer.

Dr. Ulio, while pressing their claims for $100 apiece, has advised the girls to accept the proffered $70 rather than go to law. Mr. Locke says that $840 has been raised by friends of the opera company with which to send the girls home, and choice has been given them between $80 in cash and a passage to Italy, or $70 in cash with leave to remain. This offer is made upon the assumption that the girls are really destitute, but the opera company will not recognize their claims as valid nor

PAY ANY OF THIS AMOUNT.

It is said that the girls have been led to reject this offer, if they do reject it, by a lawyer who has offered to pay their expenses to Milan, and take their claims against the company on speculation. All the discharged chorus girls who were Americans have put their claims in this lawyer's hands, and it is said that some of the Italians will do the same thing. Mr. Parry, the assistant stage manager of the company, said last night that he believed the company was never stronger than at present and that it only needs to get to a basis of systematic business to make a success.

FORTUNATE MAID.

Patti's Plans to Provide For Her Brother Carlo's Daughter.

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NEW ORLEANS, December 23.—When Adelina Patti was here three years ago, she placed her dead brother Carlo's daughter in the Locquett Leroy Institute under the care of the Misses Moise. The little Carlina was an only child, and though her mother lived in town for greater convenience she boarded in the Academy. Ever since that time the girl has been going smoothly on with her school duties and until yesterday, when her famous aunt revealed her plans for the young girl's future, it promised to be as uneventful as ordinary lives. Patti's brother Carlo was for years leader of the orchestra in the old Varieties Theater. He married a creole lady, Mlle. Deschampe. Mlle. Carlina shows her warm Italian blood in a pair of big dusky eyes and a lovely scarlet mouth, with the olive skin and dark hair of her family. She reached her 16th birthday just before her relative arrived here and received some costly presents from both Nicolini and Adelina. Mme. Patti has made all arrangements for her niece. While she and her party go through Texas and Mexico, Carlina will remain with the Misses Moise. In February the Prima Donna will be in Cincinnati, where the young girl will join them en route for Europe. Already measurements have gone to New York with instructions to have ready against their arrival in the spring a full and elegant outfit for the fortunate maiden. Even the jewelry to be worn with the costumes has been included in the direction. They will have the celebrated and lovely castle "Craig y Nos" as their destination. This will be Carlina's future home. While her decided musical talent is to be highly cultivated, she is never to think of the operatic stage as a profession.

Amusement Notes.

The Palace Museum has a host of attractions for its patrons this week which please both old and young.

The Rentz-Santley Burlesque Company are singing and dancing themselves into favor at the Standard.

Scanlan and his songs are proving popular at the Olympic. "Shane-na-Lawn" will be the attraction at the Christmas matinee on Saturday.

Chanfrau in "Kit, the Arkansas Traveler," is the attraction every night at the People's and is meeting with high favor. For the Christmas matinee "The Octoroon" will be given, with presents for the ladies and children in the parquet and circle.

No finer production of light opera has ever been given the public of this city than the "Gypsy Baron" at Pope's. The music is irresistibly entrancing, the cast is evenly strong, the chorus large and the scenery splendid. It is a thoroughly artistic performance.

"Clio" is running to fair business at the Grand. Mlle. Cornalba does some wonderful dancing, the tableaux are artistically arranged and the earthquake is realistic. The revels furnish entertainment which is not dependent on the strength of the play or the cast.

The sale of seats for the Christmas performance of the "Messiah" by the Choral Society at Music Hall commenced this morning at Balmer & Weber's music store. The soloists will be Miss Margaret Elliott of Philadelphia, Miss Adele Laeis of this city, Mr. F. W. Jameson of New York and Mr. Geo. Wiseman of this city. Mr. Otten has his chorus of 300 voices in splendid training and the organ and orchestra will furnish accompaniment. The sale of the performance is Tuesday evening, the 28th. Popular prices will be charged.

Mr. Clinton J. Edgeriy, manager of Rose Coghlan, arrived in the city this morning. Miss Coghlan is now in Memphis playing to packed houses. She will appear here next week at the Grand in a splendid repertoire, which will afford the public an opportunity to see one of the foremost artists now on the stage in her strongest roles. Her repertoire includes "Lady of Lyons," "As You Like It," "School for Scandal," "London Assurance," "Masks and Faces," and "Scrap of Paper." The company includes Mr. De Belleville, Mr. and Mrs. Walcott, Mr. Lipman, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Edwin and others. The sale of seats is now in progress at the Grand.

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